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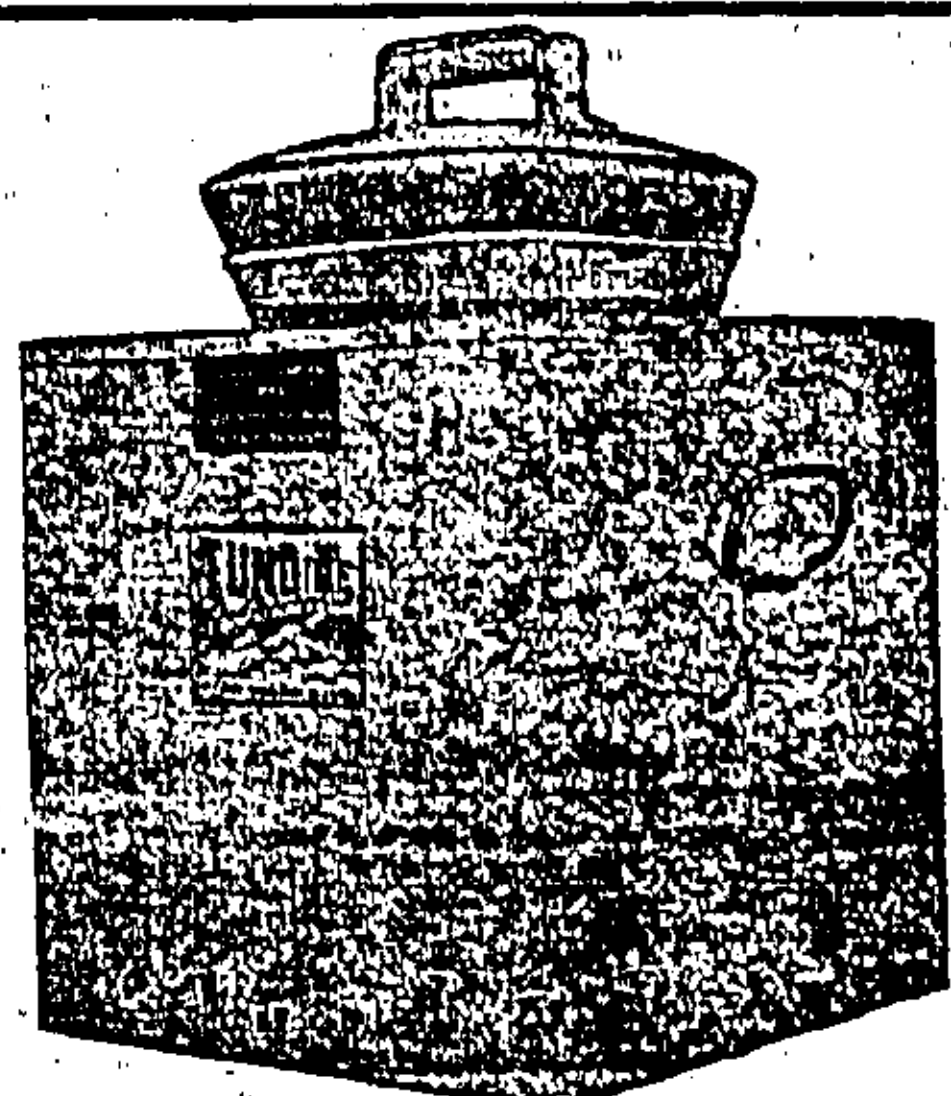
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IS DISARMAMENT REALLY POSSIBLE?

(“D.P.” SPECIAL SERVICE.)

Prague, July 6.—In an exclusive interview granted to the United Press, the Foreign Minister of Czechoslovakia, Dr. Edouard Benes, discussed the major problems of international relations. The Czech statesman spoke optimistically regarding the chances of preventing war in Europe, carefully qualifying his statement, however, by saying that Europe will not prepare for a new war "in the near future."

In the course of his replies to the questions of the United Press correspondent, Dr. Benes frankly suggested that the countries of Europe are being driven to an economic agreement among themselves by the necessity of warding off the strong influence of American financial and commercial encroachments in the old world.

Post-War Consolidation.

Explaining his opinion regarding the prevention of war, Dr. Benes stated, "Europe is passing through the period of post-war consolidation, following the big upheaval caused by the world war. I mean to say that the efforts of the European nations, in accordance with the interests of their inhabitants, aim to surmount the unusual war-time and post-war conditions, render international co-operation possible and create the basis for peaceful life and progress in economic and cultural pursuits."

"I do not deny that there is discontent in many quarters, and I admit that this dissatisfaction expresses itself in subversive and belligerent tendencies, but I am convinced that the forces of peace have won the upper hand in Europe and are strong enough to prevent the fruition of warlike methods, to which these subversive tendencies would otherwise lead. Moreover, I believe that the material and financial basis for war is lacking and will continue to be lacking for a long time. It is the task of this generation to create such political conditions that war will be made morally and legally impossible before it becomes possible economically and financially."

Pursuing the same train of thought, the United Press correspondent asked the Foreign Minister whether he expects progress

towards disarmament despite the existing gait of the Geneva disarmament discussions.

The First Step.

"I am confident of the success of the efforts to achieve disarmament," Dr. Benes replied, unequivocally. "But the solution of this problem will require a long development. At present it is not so much a question of disarming as of making the first step toward the international solution of this question. The efforts now look to the signing of a convention which will scarcely accomplish more than setting a limit to present armaments and showing the point of departure for a gradual reduction of armies and their equipment. The preclaimers of total disarmament, whether motivated by idealistic or political considerations, will not have their demands fulfilled at one full swoop."

"But whoever understands the far-reaching importance of these efforts will not grow impatient and will chalk up as a success even every small advance in this cause. Talking concretely, I may say that we have passed the stage of stagnation in work for disarmament and that the exchange of views and the conclusion of several compromises at the May disarmament meeting in Geneva are signs of a new, more successful, although protracted stage in the solution of this problem."

As it is generally conceded that the unravelling of the reparations tangle is one of the chief requirements for European pacification, the correspondent asked Dr. Benes what he himself expects from a solution of the reparations question. The statesman's reply reflected the same optimism as his previous comments.

The Final Solution.

"The final solution of the reparations problem," he asserted, "would, above all, produce the greater economic and financial security which is the crying need of European business. Creditor and debtor nations and the others, too, will then know where they stand and will then have to act accordingly. It is evident that this will be of high political importance."

The favourable effect of a reparations settlement will make itself felt in the lasting improvement of Franco-German relations and in the permanent assurance of Germany's peaceful co-operation with all her neighbours and especially with the League of Nations. Briefly stated, a solution of the reparations problem signifies a further great, vital step toward the ultimate liquidation of the world war."

Prague and Washington.

Discussing relations between Prague and Washington, he said, "There are no unclear or complicated problems in the relations between Czechoslovakia and the United States. Ever since the founding of the Czechoslovakian republic, the political relations with America have been friendly. It is well-known that the United States played a vital role in our struggle for emancipation during the world war, that America supported us politically and financially and continually felt an intimate emotional concern for our republic."

"We now have a friendly treaty of arbitration with the United States and this is characteristic of our relations. The large number of my countrymen who live in the United States naturally increases the reciprocal economic and cultural relations. Our trade with the United States is very lively. The development of this trade is closely linked to the relations of the United States to Europe as a whole."

"American participation in Europe's reconstruction played a particularly important role during the years immediately following the war and helped many European countries to survive the worst period. I believe that this role of the United States has already passed its zenith, for it appears that several European countries are adopting a more reserved attitude in view of the financial, economic and commercial dependence of Europe on the United States, which American participation in Europe's recovery brings with it."

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Diary of Coming Events

To-day

(August 1.)

Lammas Day.
M.C.L. Ladies' Whist Drive.
Lane, Crawford's restaurant, 3.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Our Dancing Daughters."

World Theatre: "Steamboat Bill Jr."

Star Theatre: "Tracked by the Police."

Dinner Dances: H.K. Hotel, Peninsula, and Repulse Bay Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

Tides: High: 5.17 a.m. and 7.33 p.m.; Low: 1.18 p.m. and 11.26 p.m.

European Mails: Inward: Europe via Suez (Kashmir).

Friday

(August 2.)

Christina Fellowship meeting, Helena May Institute, 10.30 a.m.

Y.R.C. Night Fête, 9.15 p.m.

Billiards League: K.O.S.B. v. Police Reserves, Royal Artillery v. Buffalo Club, Somerset v. Police, C. & P.O. Club v. Craigengower, Royal Engineers v. St. Patrick's.

H.K. Football Association extraordinary general meeting, French Bank Building, 3.20 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Our Dancing Daughters."

World Theatre: "Steamboat Bill Jr."

Star Theatre: "Tracked by the Police."

Dinner Dances: H.K. Hotel, Peninsula, and Repulse Bay Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

Tides: High: 6.14 a.m. and 8.49 p.m.; Low: 2.09 p.m.

Saturday

(August 3.)

King Haakon VII. of Norway Born 1872.

Golf: Happy Valley Summer Meeting, Championship and Capt.'s Cup.

Lawn Bowls: Division I: Craigengower v. Kowloon Dock, Kowloon Bowling Green v. Kowloon C.C. Recreation v. Police, Tai Koo v. Civil Service, Division II: Yacht Club v. Tai Koo, Kowloon C.C. v. Craigengower, Civil Service v. Recreation, H.K. Electric v. Kowloon Bowling Green.

Tennis: "C" Division: South China v. H.K.C.C.

Kowloon Football Club concert, 9 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Dancing Daughters."

World Theatre: "Steamboat Bill Jr."

Star Theatre: "Tracked by the Police."

Ten Dances: H.K. Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

Dinner Dances: H.K. Hotel and Repulse Bay Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

Tides: High: 7.10 a.m. and 9.44 p.m.; Low: 12.25 a.m. and 2.54 p.m.

European Mails: Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Khyber), 10.30 a.m.

Sunday

(August 4.)

Tenth Sunday After Trinity.

War declared between Great Britain and Germany 1914.

Golf: Happy Valley Summer Meeting, Championship and Captain's Cup.

Lawn Bowls: Inter-departmental Competition, Prison v. Small Units.

Queen's Theatre: "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

Ten Dances: Repulse Bay Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

Tides: High: 8.04 a.m. and 10.50 p.m.; Low: 1.22 a.m. and 3.27 p.m.

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She: "I'd love to."

He: "Well, tell your mother I'll be over early."

Rita, ten, and Frances, seven, were left alone in the house. Suddenly Rita exclaimed: "I'll bet you are afraid to go upstairs alone."

"Oh, no, I'm not," replied Frances. "You come up with me and see."

The new member of the golf club was sitting in the clubhouse examining a ball, muttering to himself and looking very puzzled.

The secretary crossed toward him and said courteously: "Can I help you?"

"Well," said the beginner, "there must be a mistake in that card I've just handed to you."

"Mistake? What sort of mistake?"

"Well, you see, I've just gone round the course in 133, but I can find only 131 holes on my ball."

"Was it your craving for drink that brought you here?" asked the welfare worker, during a visit to a prison.

The man glared at her.

"Do I look," said he, "the sort of chap that would mistake this kind-of place for a pub?"

A hotel in a small town displayed the sign: "We Never Close."

A few days later, the lunch-room next door blossomed out with the announcement: "Open All Night."

Not to be outdone, a Chinese laundryman across the street put up a sign saying: "Me Wakee Too."

"I'm a little stiff from bowling," said the commercial traveller, affably, as he eased himself in a chair.

"I don't care where you come from," snapped the busy shoemaker. "What have you got to sell?"

"Mother, was your name Paul before you were married?"

"No, dear; why do you ask?"

"Well, I just wondered. I see that name on a lot of our towels."

A golfing vicar on holiday picked up a partner who, in moments of difficulty, was apt to burst into the most dreadful language.

Once, after a sulphuric outburst in a bunker, he turned to his opponent and said: "You must excuse me, but I'm just a plain-spoken man who always calls a spade a spade."

"I should have thought," observed the clergyman, "that that is about the last thing you would have called it."

"Are you sure those eggs are fresh?"

"Just a minute, madam, and I'll see if they're cool enough to sell yet."

A young man was being questioned by a life assurance official about his family's health. He was asked:

"Of what did your grandfather die?"

The applicant hesitated a few moments, and then stammered out:

"I—I'm not sure, but I think he died in infancy."

Smith: "It is not the cost of the car that worries the average motorist, but the upkeep."

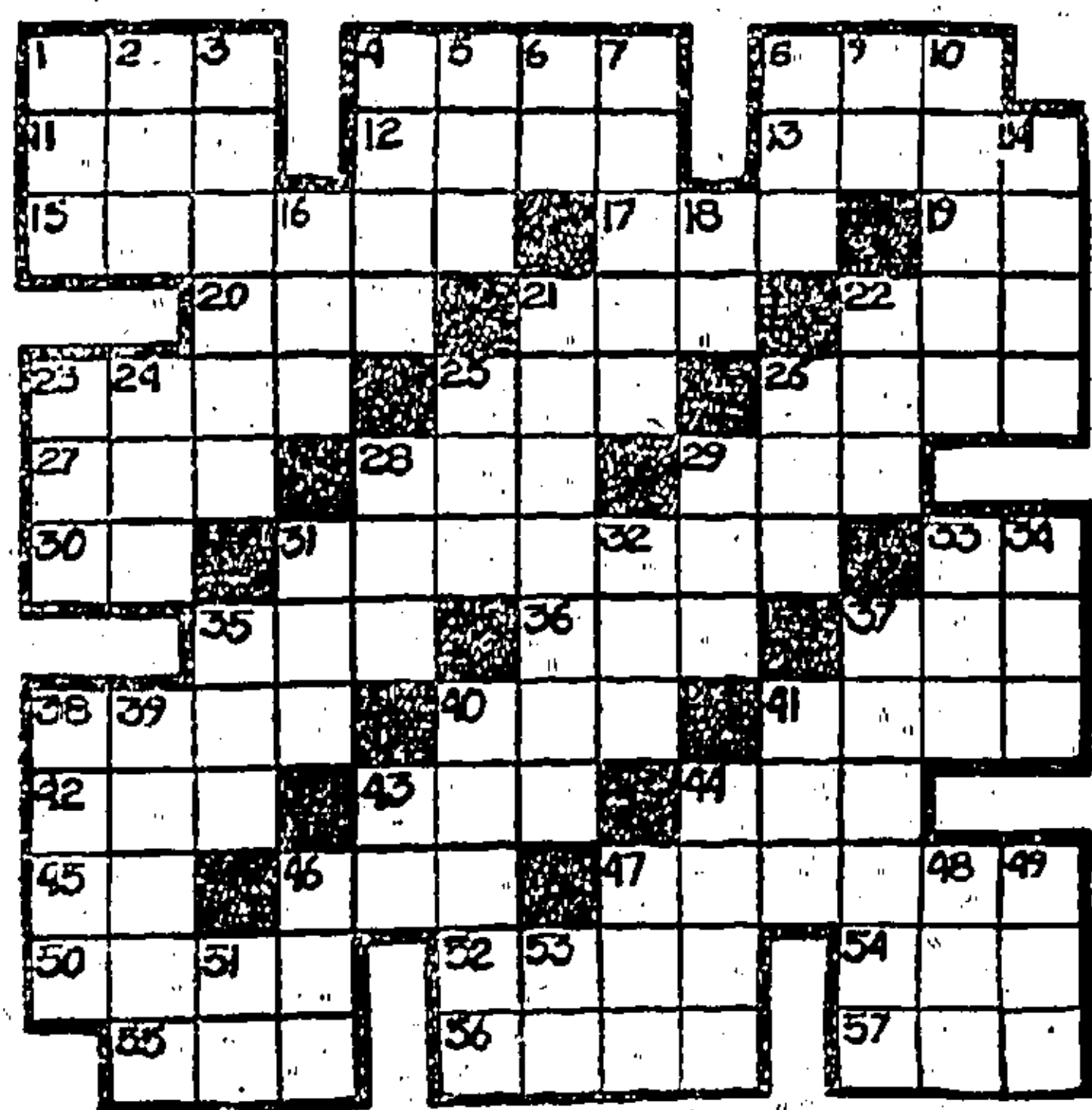
Jones: "And sometimes the turn-over."

"I have a Corot, a Rubens, and a Rembrandt."

"Do you really need more than two cars?"

A young doctor, trying to be a little sobby while addressing a mothers' meeting, said: "In all this world there's nothing so sweet as the smile on the face of an upturned child."

CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Horizontal.

- 1.—Syncope.
- 4.—Terror.
- 6.—Electrical unit.
- 11.—Atmosphere.
- 12.—Cable.
- 13.—To harvest.
- 15.—Actor.
- 17.—A tennis stroke.
- 18.—To depart.
- 20.—A fish.
- 21.—Unattentive.
- 22.—Address of respect.
- 23.—At that time.
- 25.—To increase.
- 26.—Delicate.
- 27.—Concealed.
- 28.—An evergreen.
- 29.—To jump.
- 30.—Old plural pronoun.
- 31.—Disputed.
- 33.—Bone.
- 35.—Assessment.
- 36.—Organ of head.
- 37.—Perched.
- 38.—Mass of floating ice.
- 40.—A serpent.
- 41.—Active.
- 42.—Some.
- 43.—To suppose.
- 44.—The sun.
- 45.—Pronoun.
- 46.—Resting place.
- 47.—Clothes.
- 50.—Girl's name.
- 52.—Margin.
- 54.—At this time.
- 55.—Linear measure.
- 56.—Fate.
- 57.—Golf's mound.

Vertical.

- 1.—Domestic animal.
- 21.—Bounty.
- 22.—To taste.
- 23.—Old possessive pronoun.
- 24.—To hurry.
- 25.—False hair.
- 26.—To bow.
- 28.—Difficulty.
- 29.—Feminine pronoun.
- 31.—Old woman.
- 32.—To drink.
- 33.—Paddle.
- 34.—Pen.
- 35.—To attempt.
- 37.—Appliance for broken bone.
- 39.—To dip out.
- 40.—Stage direction.
- 41.—Helped.
- 42.—Drunkard.
- 43.—Pronoun.
- 44.—Stalk.
- 46.—Evil.
- 47.—Since.
- 48.—Spawn.
- 49.—Sheep.
- 51.—Negative.
- 53.—To act.

This puzzle took 22 minutes to solve. See how long it will take you to solve it.

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Westboro, Mass.—When Ed Marcy's German police dog got stuck in a big drain pipe, firemen were called. They squirted a hose into the pipe and blew the dog to safety.

New Orleans, La.—Students of Newcomb College, fashionable girls' school, and Tulane University here, attended classes barefooted when their campuses were flooded by heavy rains recently.

Berlin.—At the invitation of the Finnish Government ten members of the Reichstag has left for Helsinki. Among them are president of the Reichstag Loebe and the noted Socialist leader Dr. Breitscheid.

Detroit.—The Detroit airship works have completed the world's first all-metal dirigible which is destined for the United States navy. The airship, which holds 70,000 cubic metres of helium gas, will start on its trial flights.

London.—Sudbury (Suffolk) Town Council have decided to confer the freedom of the borough on the American Ambassador. General Dawes is a direct descendant of William Dawes, one of the Pilgrim Fathers who was a native of Sudbury.

New York.—Eugene O'Neill, famed American playwright who recently visited Shanghai, enabled friends that he has married Carlotto Monterey, actress, in Paris. O'Neill's wife recently divorced him by agreement, in Reno. It was known that he intended to re-marry.

Vienna.—The forthcoming marriage is announced of Prince Johann, of Liechtenstein who is the reigning head of the principality of Liechtenstein, the smallest state of Europe, having a total population of 11,500 and a territory of 160 kilometers square. The prince is 75 years old and his bride 51.

Heidelberg.—The condition of Chancellor Hermann Mueller, who is suffering from peritonitis, continues extremely alarming. The attending surgeons, however, hope to localise the inflammation, basing all hope on the Chancellor's otherwise strong constitution. The Chancellor is 53 years of age.

Paris.—Statistics just published show an extraordinary increase during the past ten days of deaths caused by street accidents and drowning. As many as 95 were killed in street accidents, and 91 drowned throughout France, while on a recent Sunday alone, 22 lost their lives in street accidents and through drowning.

Houston, Tex.—Striking "pay dirt" at more than 8,500 feet, University 1-B, group one, an oil well in the Big Lake field of Texas has "come in" with a yield of more than 1,100 barrels of oil, and 12,500,000 cubic feet of gas daily. It is said to be the deepest well in the United States and one of the deepest in the world.

Copenhagen.—The newspapers are full of sensational reports on what appears to be a new case of abuse of diplomatic privileges. One of secretaries of the Spanish Legation is reported to have smuggled whisky and to have organized a regular illicit traffic in it. He had solicited the co-operation of several well-known society women, the husband of one of whom, on discovering his wife's doings provoked a scandal by beating the young diplomat in public. Investigations which followed revealed his activities whereupon he was re-called by his Government.

NELSON RELICS FOR AMERICA.

FURNITURE FROM THE
VICTORY.

New York.—It is reported that one of the most precious of England's national heirlooms, the furniture which was in Nelson's cabin at the battle of Trafalgar, has been purchased by a wealthy American, and is being brought to the United States.

Mr. Charles A. McAllister, the president of the American Bureau of Shipping, who has just returned from London, where he attended a shipping conference, in an interview given to the Brooklyn Eagle, referred to the purchase as being "practically an international robbery." He said that it was just as if an Englishman should manage to purchase some of the furniture used by Washington and take it out of the country.

A mahogany sideboard and a table, according to Mr. McAllister, were purchased by this unnamed American. He said that he had been informed that this furniture had once been stolen from the Victory. He said that it was bought by many hands, and had finally been bought by an American at an auction.

KING BORIS.

HIS BETROTHAL
RUMOURED.

BULGARIA'S BACHELOR
KING.

[United Press.]

Sofia, July 10.—In any biographical discussion of King Boris III. of Bulgaria it seems necessary to emphasize, first, that he is Bulgarian to the core, second, that although 36 years old, he is still a bachelor. This latter deficiency, albeit, will very probably be remedied in the near future, according to information reaching this correspondent from a trustworthy source.

The full name of King Boris, who was born on January 30, 1894, conforms in its length to the best of kingly traditions. It is Boris Clement Robert Marie Pie Louis Stanislas Xavier. Boris was the oldest child of King Ferdinand, formerly Prince Ferdinand of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, who abdicated in his son's favour shortly after the World War, and of Princess Marie Louise de Bourbon et Parme, whom Ferdinand married in 1893. He has one brother, Prince Cyril, and two sisters, Princess Euxodia, and Princess Nadejda, the second of whom married the Grand Duke of Wurtemberg four years ago.

"An Old Boy."

Boris has lived all his life in Bulgaria. At the age of seven he was registered as an ordinary pupil at the First Boy's Gymnasium in Sofia. Early in June of this year this school celebrated its fiftieth anniversary, the king as an "Old Boy," playing a very active part in the affair. He led a procession through the principal streets of Sofia and later entertained a number of the masters and older boys at the royal palace, to many of whom he presented decorations.

When he was eighteen Prince Boris entered the Sofia Military College as a cadet, and just before the outbreak of the war, in accordance with the Bulgarian constitution, he was as Crown Prince of Bulgaria promoted to the rank of captain, reaching that of lieutenant-colonel within a year or so. Boris became well known during the war for his conspicuous bravery, which made of him the idol of the officers and rank and file of the army.

After the Abdication.

In the turbulent days following Ferdinand's abdication the young Bulgarian monarch showed great tact in his handling of the problems raised by the extremists who had come into power as a result of the general dissatisfaction and disappointment that constituted the aftermath of the war. His wisdom and foresight were severely taxed when dealing with the radical agrarian regime under the leadership of Stambuliski. It is generally believed that only his firm stand at that time prevented the country from "going Bolshevik."

Rumours concerning the possibility of the king's retirement from bachelordom continue to circulate through Sofia. While these remain nothing but rumors, this correspondent is authorized to state from absolutely reliable sources that King Boris' engagement and marriage is a matter of the near future. The name of his bride, however, should already have been chosen, which is not at all certain, is kept a secret and is not likely to be disclosed until a very short time before the event.

The anticipated wedding day will be a signal for great relief and jubilation by the entire population of the country, for whom the one all-absorbing question and desire is to see His Majesty King Boris III. happily married, and, as Prime Minister Liapcheff recently stated at a public banquet, to have the line of descendants of the dynasty ensured with an heir to the throne.

BLAZING CAR DEATH.

SPECTATORS SEE A DRIVER
BURNED.

A motor-car, with a single occupant, Mr. W. Wodell, of Nottingham, came in collision with a lorry at the cross-roads at Mount Tolgate, near Ashby-de-la-Zouche, Leicestershire, and burst into flames.

Mr. Wodell made frantic efforts to get out of the vehicle which was crushed by the lorry. He was unable to do so, and was burned to death in full view of spectators, who could do nothing to save him owing to the flames.

"UNCLE TOM'S CABIN."

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ON SUNDAY.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

"Sugar and Spice,
And all that's nice,
That's what little girls made of."

We used to sing that—and the less complimentary verse about little boys—many years ago in the same nursery in which we blotted the pages of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" with our tears, and the verses seem to give a clue to the composition of the film of which I saw a preview yesterday at the Queen's.

Sugar and spice, sob-stuff and horrors, are in the opinion of the director, what successful films are made of.

Memories of "Uncle Tom's Cabin", held all these ingredients so he settled down to produce a masterpiece. Perhaps he began to do so by re-reading the book, or more probably by deputising someone else to read it for him, but I believe that the form of the film was already fairly clear in his mind, based on a nice balance of "sugar and spice, sob-stuff and horrors."

The completed picture represents two years' work and the two million dollars—spent on a formula which has almost as little relation to Mrs. Stowe's classic as the earlier "Topsy and Eva" burlesque.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" was more than a novel. It was as powerful an indictment of social conditions as was Dickens' "Oliver Twist" and did as much to arouse public feeling against these conditions. While the American Civil War was mainly due to economic and political factors, Mrs. Stowe's book certainly added fuel to the flame, and provided material for propaganda.

The film loses enormously in effect because it does not tell a clear story. But for the incidents of the Civil War, which did not actually take place till ten years after the publication of the book, most of the material of the film comes from the novel, but in remoulding the novel the central figures have been almost lost sight of. There would be no great harm if that if other as interesting figures had replaced them, but this has not been done. Having set down Uncle Tom, Eva and Topsy from their thrones, Eliza, George and Henry should have taken their places, but the human drama has been pushed to one side to make room for the "ingredients" of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" in its film form. The tragedy of the mulatto couple Eliza and George, and the interest should have been concentrated upon them even if a large number of the characters in the book had to be cut out. In Margaretta Fischer the director has found an excellent Eliza, at once attractive and modest looking, but he lets her be hidden behind a crowd of subsidiary figures, and leaves her tragedy to daily with the sob-stuff of "little Eva's" death and a number of other complications.

There is heaps of good material in the film and in the cast, and despite the lapses and confusion of the story-telling you follow it with interest, but though there are harrowing scenes the tragedy never really grips you as it does in a really well-constructed film such as "Bohème" or "Resurrection."

One of the most interesting things in the film is the dramatic talent of the coloured actors. From the comically hideous little person who portrays Topsy with such *clan*, to the grave and moving figure of Uncle Tom (James B. Lowe) every one of them acts with vitality and intense feeling. The "white folk" though competent as a whole are too large a team to manage well. Here and there a figure stands out. Simon Legree (George Sigmund), Lawyer Mark (Lucien Littlefield), and Little Eva—but the general impression is of a vast canvas on which the figures shift and change with bewildering rapidity.

I advise you to see "Uncle Tom's Cabin" because I think that many of you may enjoy it and many others will carry away memories of a dramatic scene of two or of a peculiarly clever piece of acting. I do not believe that it will prove an overwhelming success like "Gold Rush," but on the other hand it has a lot more of the elements of popular appeal than, for example, "Sunset"—which was everywhere praised by the critics, but which did not go down well with the public. "Uncle Tom's Cabin" will be shown at the Queen's from Sunday to Wednesday next week.

CORRESPONDENCE.

RAIN-MAKING EXPERIMENTS

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—The Colony of Hong Kong has suffered from an unprecedented deficiency in rainfall during the 12 months ending June 30, 1929, with consequent distress to the population, owing to water shortage.

Amongst the many suggestions received from the public by the local Government was the proposition that powdered kaolin, sprinkled from aeroplanes above suitable clouds, would induce precipitation; the method was stated to have been employed with success in other countries. After discussion with other Government officials, I made the following recommendation:—

"I consider that the experiment might reasonably be attempted one. I have little doubt of its failure, but this avenue of relief may then be considered sufficiently explored and be definitely closed thereafter."

My personal opinion is plainly expressed in the foregoing; had the Government refused to countenance the experiment, however, there would have remained a feeling in the public mind that one possible solution of the water problem had not been tried. The experiment was made by the unit of the R.A.F. stationed here, and no precipitation occurred.

The reports in the local Press are now being commented upon by journals outside the Colony, usually with the implication that this Observatory was responsible for the inception and conduct of the experiments.

This was not the case; the experiments were authorised by the Government to discount any subsequent criticism. No belief in a materially successful result was held by the Administration or its advisers, including my colleagues and myself.—Yours, faithfully,
C. W. JEFFRIES,
Acting Director.

Royal Observatory,
Hong Kong, July 31.

[We do not know what comments outside the Colony Mr. Jeffries has seen, but can sympathise with him if it has been suggested that he had any fault in the success of the experiments. Our own view of the matter was expressed in the following words:—"The rain-making experiments which it is proposed to make here in Hong Kong with the assistance of the Royal Air Force will be interesting—all such experiments are, but that they are likely to produce positive results is improbable. Meteorologists continue to discountenance the view that rainfall can be influenced in any way by human agency—except by the creation or more often the destruction of forests, and possibly by the effect of large and continuous emissions from factory chimneys." We believe nothing has appeared in our columns to suggest that the kaolin experiments were carried out at the suggestion of Mr. Jeffries, or that he had any more confidence in the success of the venture than we had.—Ed.]

IN DEFENCE OF THE CINEMA.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—I was surprised to read your editorial reference to the films as being an insult to the intelligence. We are not all high-brows and University men, or even Public School boys, who I suppose never go to the pictures. Let us spend their evenings with the Greek and Latin classics which they are so fond of.

Some of us in this Colony find the films an education. We can learn something about life in circles of society which are closed to us; we can see how people in different countries dress and their social customs; and we get glimpses of scenery and life in different parts of the world—which we are never likely to visit. All this, in my opinion is educative, and therefore cannot be described as an insult to the intelligence, as you call it.—Yours, etc.,
PICTURE-GOER.

Hong Kong, July 31.

[We may remind our correspondent that not all, but the great majority, of films were described as an insult to the intelligence.—Ed.]

"BETTER PICTURES."

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—I fully agree with the suggestion made in "Shameless" letter to the Hong Kong Telegraph that picture-goers in Hong Kong form a society.

The reporting Committee could consist of 10 members, four to be chosen annually, and the remaining six to be chosen every month by a system of rotation, so that each member would have a chance of being on the Committee for a short period. Card votes could also be taken from all the members from time to time.

The Committee could arrange with the cinema proprietors to be present at the screening for the censor, and arrangements could no doubt be made with the Press for an impartial criticism to be published a day or two before the first public screening.

The object of the Committee would be to use its influence with the proprietors of cinema for:—

- (1) Better all-round pictures.
- (2) A larger proportion of outstanding pictures.
- (3) Local screening of important pictures as soon as they are released by the producers, and not when they are nearly two years old.
- (4) Better and more comfortable accommodation, including the installation of cooling and ventilating system in first-class houses like the Queen's.

I think a very small subscription (say \$1. annually or \$13 for permanent membership) would be sufficient, as the expenses could be kept down to a nominal figure.

As Mr. Mancini has been the leader in voicing the public's dissatisfaction at the present policy of our cinema proprietors, I suggest that he should take the lead in calling a meeting of sympathisers.—Yours, etc.,
BETTER PICTURES.

Hong Kong, July 31.

QUEEN'S THEATRE PROGRAMMES.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—The thing that is making people angry over the Queen's Theatre programmes is that there has been a general worsening of the programmes since last October. There are fewer big films, the "average" films are not edited and prepared, the number of frankly inferior films is greater than before, and the music has gone all to pieces. Why is the old standard not maintained? While it was the company was making money hand-over-fist.

The answer suggested at the annual meeting was that the present directors care for nothing except cutting down expenses, and as there is no opposition the public can "lump it." A previous Queen's Theatre here went under, thanks to this sort of economy-first please-your-audience-last sort of policy. The public is not unreasonable when a company is doing its best, but when it is not there is no sympathy for excuses.—Yours, etc.,
RESIDENT.

Hong Kong, July 31.

DEATH OF MR. THOMAS POLLARD.

SUCCUMBS TO TYPHOID.

We regret to announce the death, from typhoid, of Mr. Thomas Pollard, who passed away early yesterday morning at Kowloon Hospital. Mr. Pollard only arrived in the Colony about two months ago. He was a consulting engineer and had been engaged by the Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Company to supervise the reassembling of the Diesel engines of the Baby Castle at Kowloon docks.

Mr. Pollard, who lived at the Dock Quarters, was taken ill and removed to hospital about a fortnight ago.

Mr. Pollard was sent out to Hong Kong by the Lancashire Shipping Company, his services having been loaned by the North East Marine Engineering Company of Wallsend, Newcastle-on-Tyne. He was 40 years of age and a native of South Shields, where he leaves a widow and three children, the eldest of whom is 18 and the youngest 12.

His death will be deeply regretted by those who had become his friends during the short time he had been in the Colony, and the deepest sympathy will be extended to his family at home in their bereavement.

The funeral will take place this afternoon at 5 p.m.

BRIGANDS AND COMMUNISTS.

PICKED TROOPS SENT TO KWANGTUNG BORDER.

HUNAN AND FUKIEN TO HELP IN CAMPAIGN.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, July 31.

The Canton authorities, in conjunction with those of Fukien and Hunan, have planned a joint campaign against brigands and Communists on the Kwangtung-Hunan-Fukien border. These desperadoes under Chu Tak and Mo Chak Tung, are fairly well organized and equipped. They are gathered from the remnants of the Communist force under Ho Lung and Ip Ting in Eastern Kwangtung, various bandits, and Communist workers. Canton has time and again despatched expeditions against them but so far with very little success. Only second rate troops have been used on this service and the brigand force has always managed to get away to mountain fastnesses. Their cruelties have been abominable and they have terrorised the whole of the big area where they have operated.

NO RISKS!

Canton is now despatching some of its best troops with Colonel Chen Wai Yuen, a brother of General Chen Tsai Tong, in command in the East River Districts. From the West River Colonels Kin Han Ding and Wang Kwan are advancing towards Shuiwan and from there into the mountains. Simultaneous with the Canton expedition, Fukien will send a unit under General Chang Ching eastward to co-operate. A strong force will also march down from Hunan border. The drive will start on August 5.

The local authorities are of the opinion that, in view of the critical situation in Manchuria, these outlaws and Communists must be eliminated. There are to be no more half-hearted efforts and the job should be finished in a month.

MORE ANTI-SOVIET DEMONSTRATIONS.

MOVEMENT SPREADS UP COUNTRY.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, July 31.

Anti-Soviet demonstrations are being staged in the interior of Kwangtung notably at Kongmoon, Fatsan, Toishan and Sunwui. As at Canton last Wednesday, there were parades, shouting of slogans and furious speeches against the Soviet Government. There were also handbills, banners and posters. Cartoons were much in evidence. Officials and soldiers were to the fore at these efforts. Wuchow has also staged an anti-Soviet demonstration.

KWANGTUNG AND KWANGSI ARMY.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, July 31.

According to information from military circles, the two Kwangs are to have nine Divisions of troops. Most of these will be supported by and remain in Kwangtung. One of the divisions will be under Colonel Tsoi Ting Kai, who has just left the Canton Sanatorium. Colonel Tsoi was formerly attached to the 11th Army under General Chen Ming Shu and when Canton first seemed likely to side with Kwangsi he broke away and organized the Second Independent Regiment. (Open) Chen Tsai Tong has ordered him to increase his force to a full division in recognition of his past services.

CANTON'S WOUNDED SOLDIERS.

RIOT AT THE HOSPITAL.

HATED COLLEAGUE HUNTED THROUGH STREETS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, July 31.

A somewhat ridiculous "scrap," which, however, cost one man his life, broke out in the Military Hospital in Man Tak Road. During the evening meal a free fight suddenly broke out between a number of convalescent soldiers. In the melee, in which sticks, rice bowls, and furniture were used as weapons, one man had his skull fractured and died immediately and three others were very seriously injured. It appears that the patients have been divided into two bitterly hostile factions and brawls had been frequent.

The authorities tried to stop the fight but with so little success that the struggle was at its fiercest when a strong detachment of gendarmes arrived in a couple of cars in answer to an urgent phone message.

The combatants were separated and the men told to behave themselves. So little attention did they pay to this instruction that no sooner had the gendarmes sped away in their cars than that they were at it again more viciously than ever. One man, who was evidently unpopular in the sick ward, slipped out of the place, but was chased by an angry mob of fairly vigorous convalescents from street to street, till he was finally dashed into No. 3 police station for protection. The angry mob were refused admittance and surged round the station yelling threats and curses. Fortunately the front door held fast against kicks and blows and after an hour's shouting the wounded heroes gradually dispersed.

MARSHAL LI TSAI HSIN STILL A PRISONER.

THE OBEDURACY OF CHIANG KAI SHEK.

According to official reports Marshal Li Tsai Hsin is still in close custody at Tangshan. His former companion, Mr. Wu Tze Hui, with whom he used to read the classics and play chess, has left him, so the former dictator of Canton is now leading a very lonely existence. Chiang Kai Shek promised to release his former Chief-of-Staff after the "Kwangsi clique" had been eliminated, but he shows no inclination to redeem this pledge. Marshal Li's former colleagues in Canton, Generals Chen Ming Shu, Chen Tsai Tong, Li Yang King and others have sent a joint telegram asking that he should be set free. A number of influential persons at Nanking are working for the same end, but Chiang Kai Shek so far finds himself unable to comply. Nor, it is thought likely, will he be able to change his attitude in the near future.

THE LATE MR. H. J. LOVE.

FUNERAL SERVICE AT HAPPY VALLEY.

The funeral of Mr. H. J. Love, late Wireless Superintendent of Butterfield & Swire, took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon. The Very Rev. A. Swann, the Dean of St. John's Cathedral took the service in the Chapel, after which the coffin was taken to the crematorium.

A large number of people were present, among whom were Mr. J. H. Little, Messrs. F. W. James, W. C. Innes, A. Hicke, J. M. McIntosh, D. Lytle, C. C. Nelson, Capt. Kennedy, Messrs. W. E. L. Miller, F. A. Kemp, J. L. Adams, Mrs. Whiteley, Messrs. A. J. J. Martin, R. H. Cousins, R. W. McIntyre, J. Whyte, W. Kerr, T. Young, J. B. Chapman, C. C. Roberts, W. O. Campbell, W. Bell, and a number of Chinese employees from Messrs. Butterfield & Swire.

OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY.

ESTATE OF THE LATE MR. H. P. WHITE.

\$37,200 IN THE COLONY.

Estate worth \$37,200 was left by Mr. H. P. White, manager of Messrs. Douglas, Lapraik & Company, who died on February 28 at the age of 68. A petition for probate of deceased's will has been granted to Mr. A. H. White, of Prince's Building, the sole executor. The business of Messrs. Douglas, Lapraik & Company in Hong Kong and Amoy is bequeathed to Mr. A. H. White, subject to payment of certain legacies out of the profits of the firm.

EDITH E. RANDALL.

Another will proved in the Probate Division of the Supreme Court was that of Edith E. Randall, formerly of Boscombe, and who died on January 7 at St. Leonards-on-Sea, Sussex. Deceased left net personal estate in England worth £13,567.

Property worth \$26,600 was left in the Colony, and in this connection Mr. D. J. Lewis, solicitor, has been granted resealing of a certified copy of probate of the will.

Among the bequests, which are mostly made to members of deceased's family, is a legacy of \$200 to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals free of duty.

WATER STILL FLOWING IN.

KOWLOON RECEPTION RESERVOIR OVERFLOWS.

No rainfall was recorded at the Island reservoirs during the 24 hours ending at 7 a.m. yesterday, but there was a further gain of 15 million gallons, making the total storage 1,017 million gallons.

Since Monday night, Tytam Bywash has been taking the overflow from Tytam reservoir. It is not full yet, but will be so by to-day even if there has been no further rain, and in this case there will not be much of an overflow for Tytam Tuk to take over.

Approximately one-third of an inch rainfall was recorded in Kowloon reservoir areas during the 24 hours. There was a gain of 16 million gallons since Monday, and the total storage was 413 million gallons.

At the main dam of Kowloon reservoir the water is 1 foot 9 inches below overflow. Some water flows from Shing Mun River into Kowloon reservoir, but not as much as the P.W.D. would like. Kowloon reception reservoir is also filled from Shing Mun and has been overflowing for some weeks. When the new bywash dam at Kowloon reservoir is finished more Shing Mun water can be got in there. Work on this however, has only just commenced.

Mr. Henderson Expected in September.

Mr. R. M. Henderson, Assistant Director of Public Works, who is in England carrying through negotiations with Whitehall and various engineering firms in connection with the Colony's improved water-works scheme and the harbour pipeline, is expected back on September 16, and the first consignment of harbour pipes will probably be here at the end of that month.

Water for Ships.

The easing of the water situation is suggested by the announcement of the Water Emergency Committee, through Mr. Rouse, the Secretary, to the effect that shipping supplies of water are now available through the Water Boat Companies at the usual rates.

JUNK RAMMED IN HARBOUR.

EARLY MORNING INCIDENT IN CENTRAL FAIRWAY.

According to a report made to the Police by the master of a passenger junk, three persons employed as jokers on the vessel were thrown into the water in a collision with the steam launch King Fat in the Harbour yesterday morning. All were picked up, none the worse for their immersion.

The junk was at the time being towed by a steam launch from a ship towards Central Market. The King Fat ran into the junk near the King Fat.

The damage to the junk is estimated at \$250.

POLICE AND FIRST AID.

AN INQUEST STATEMENT.

SEQUEL TO BATHING CATASTROPHE.

An inquest was opened at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday into the death of a little Chinese boy who was drowned on July 18 whilst bathing in a quarry pool at Shum Shui Po.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, the Coroner, was assisted by a jury comprising of Messrs. Austin, Atkins and Silstone.

Inspector Hoare of the Shum Shui Po Police Station who was in charge of the case informed his Worship at the opening of the hearing that the case involved two police officers who did not know anything about first aid and artificial respiration. They were the first policemen to arrive at the spot after the body had been brought out of the pool. Inspector Hoare remarked that First Aid lessons were started for Indian and Chinese policemen some four years ago and about 70 per cent. of the Asiatic Force had since qualified. The two police officers in question were, unfortunately, unqualified.

Instruction Difficulties.

There were two main reasons why all the Force could not be taught at once, namely, the very large number of Chinese and Indian police and the inability of a very large number posted in the outposts of the Colony to get to the Training School to attend classes. These classes were held throughout the year and it is hoped to have the remaining 30 per cent. qualified within twelve months. All European police officers are, of course, qualified in first aid.

Furthermore, it required 10 weeks to three months for an Asiatic member of the Force to qualify for the test.

Inspector Hoare concluded with the remark that he hoped that this explanation would exonerate the Police Force from any criticisms which might arise over this matter.

After evidence had been given, the hearing was adjourned until Wednesday August 14, when the jury will visit the scene of the fatality with a P.W.D. official and the Chinese contractor on the site. Plans of the spot will also be produced by the P.W.D.

A THREE-CORNERED LOAN.

CURIOUS CASE IN COURT.

A Chinese who was sued under the name of K. U. Leung at the Summary Court yesterday before the Punsie Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) denied that he was one of the three signatories to a promissory note. He declared his name was Y. S. Ling, and denied all knowledge of the plaintiff.

Sapooran Singh, who claimed \$345 under the writ, brought two Indian witnesses to say that they saw defendant sign the promissory note. The second signatory, Fung Shu Hay, could not be found, and the third, Li Kim, was stated to have gone bankrupt.

Mr. J. Wiltshire, bailiff of the Supreme Court, gave evidence of serving the writ on defendant, who, he said, ran away through the back door on seeing him approach with the moneylender. Witness knew him as Y. S. Ling.

Plaintiff undertook to subpoena Li Kim, and the case was put over until Friday.

AGED ABERDEEN COUPLE ROBBED.

TWO ARRESTS FOLLOW.

An aged villager and his wife living out at Aberdeen were victimised by two armed robbers who waited their but at midnight on Tuesday. The thieves gained entry by cutting a large hole through the matting at the back of the shed.

While the thieves were in the hut, the villager and his wife were awakened and a struggle ensued. The gallant thieves managed to overpower the old couple and bind and gag them. They then ransacked the place and stole money and property to the value of \$98.

As soon as the man could get free he made a report to the Aberdeen Police Station. It is understood that the police laid their hands on two suspects within an hour of the report.

ROUND THE COURTS.

COUNTERFEIT COINS.

A raid carried out by detectives on No. 73, Wai Ching Street, on Monday, resulted in the arrest of three persons and the discovery of 778 counterfeit ten-cent pieces.

The persons arrested were a father and son who occupied the cubicle where the counterfeit coins were discovered, and the principal tenant of the house.

The coins were found in a hole in the wall behind a calendar. On both father and son the police found an unusually large number of five-cent pieces, and it is suspected these were obtained by the two defendants in change from street hawkers who had been victimised.

His Worship asked if the case was not serious enough for committal and was told that that would have been the course had any moulds been found.

The Magistrate sentenced the father to twelve months' hard labour, discharging the son and the principal tenant.

A PUZZLE FOR THE COURT.

When a Chinese junk-master was charged with possession of 80 packages of tobacco on board a junk at Capsumoon Pass, he pleaded guilty to possession but explained that he was on his way to a place in Chinese territory, and was only passing through British waters.

The junk was stopped at Capsumoon Pass, and Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, who heard the case, observed that the point raised was out of the ordinary, and he would have to consult authorities. It appeared to his Worship that a legal point was involved, and he therefore ordered a remand for 24 hours.

OBSTRUCTION IN MARKET.

Fourteen stallholders at the vegetable market in Reclamation Street were brought before Mr. Whyte Smith at Kowloon Magistracy for obstruction. It was stated that they vied with each other in securing a foremost position, and gradually encroached on the highway. The Sanitary Department had taken out the summons because something had to be done to check this competition, which rendered the thorough impossible.

Fines of \$4 each were imposed by the Magistrate.

ILLICIT OPIUM.

A Chinese woman living at 33, Wai Ching Street, was brought up at the Kowloon Magistracy on charges of possession of eight tins of raw opium and nine tins of prepared opium. She pleaded guilty and was fined \$340 or one month's imprisonment on the first count. For possession of the prepared opium she was fined \$1,080 or in default, six months' imprisonment.

GIRL SENT TO S.C.A.

The small girl who was arrested recently for being in possession of a quantity of opium was discharged by Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday, after the latter had warned her not to be caught again with opium in her possession. His Worship stated that he would not hesitate to send the girl to prison if she came up again.

The Magistrate suggested to Revenue Officer Grimmer that the girl had better be taken to the S.C.A., as otherwise she would probably go back to her old ways.

The Revenue Officer promised to see to the matter.

THE EUROPEAN Y.M.C.A.

AUGUST ARRANGEMENTS.

THE QUIET HOUR.

Speakers:—August 4, Mr. J. H. Hunt; August 11, Rev. C. H. Hewitt, M.A., R.N., Chaplain, H.M.S. Tamar; August 18, Mr. Y. H. Tsao, M.A., General Secretary, Chinese Y.M.C.A.; August 25, Rev. G. Foster, M.A., Canton Theol. College.

The Association Meeting is held in the lounge every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock.

Social and Sporting.

A Flannel Dance will be held at the rear of the Building on Thursday, August 29, at 8 p.m. Open to ladies. Tickets: Single \$1, double \$1.60.

Tennis Club. A knock-out tournament of the hard courts will be held on Thursday, August 15, at 5.15 p.m.

Open to all Y.M.C.A. members. Bathing parties have been arranged for Saturday, August 10, and Sunday, August 24. Leave Hong Kong at 3 p.m. Kowloon at 3.15 p.m. Open to ladies. Tickets: \$1.

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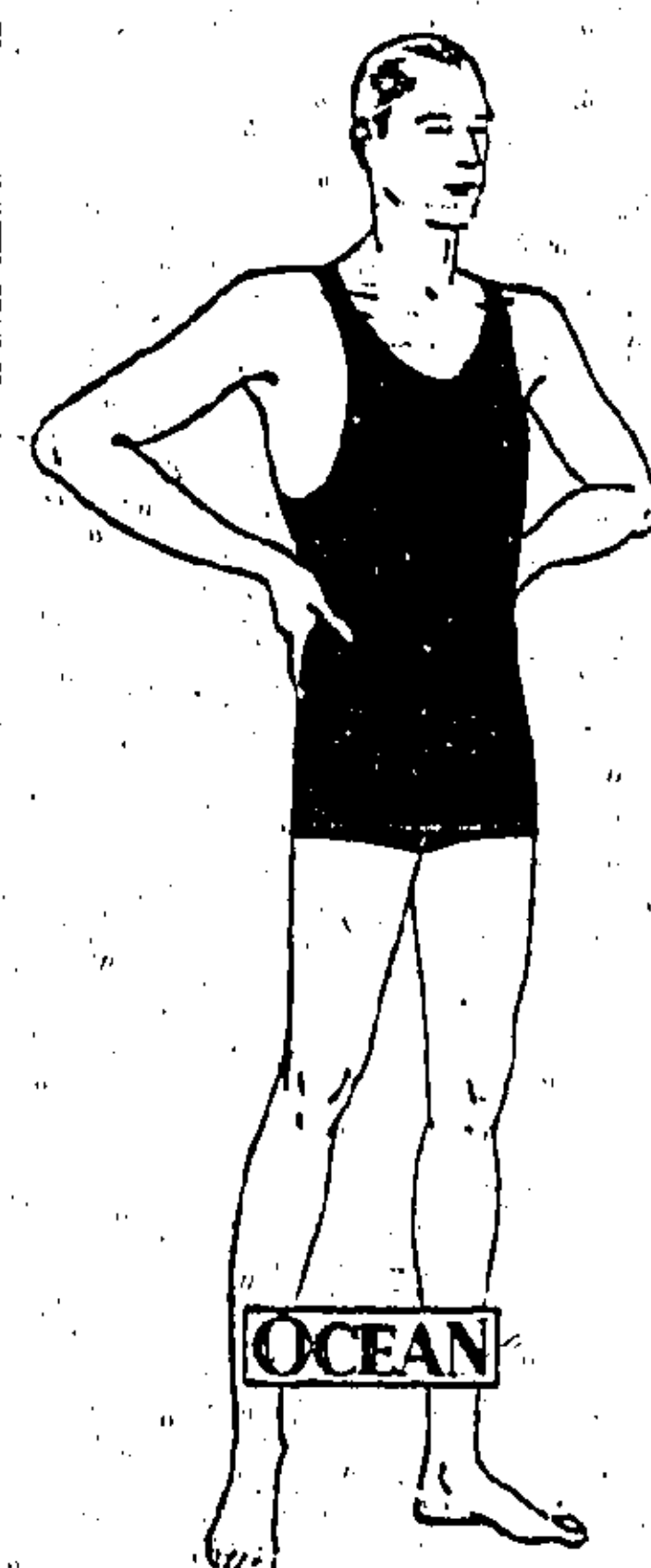
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EXCEPTIONAL BARGAINS

A SETTLEMENT IN SIGHT.

DELEGATES MEET AT MANCHULI.
THE PRELIMINARIES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, July 31.
The first Sino-Russian preliminary conference met yesterday afternoon at Manchuli, the Consul-General at Harbin, M. Melnikov, representing the Soviet and the Chinese Commissioner for Foreign Affairs at Harbin, Tei Yun Hsiang, acting for China.

It is understood they discussed the questions of time and place for a formal Sino-Russian Conference.

SOVIET 'PLANE' COMES TO GRIEF.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, July 31.
Chinese reports from Suifenho report that a Russian aeroplane flying over the city was forced down by engine trouble in Chinese territory. The five Russian and one Chinese occupants were made prisoner by the Chinese troops.

Reports from Tabeiho state that Russians seized the Chinese steamer Shenyang on July 27 and took it to Blagoveshensk.

RUSSIAN BANK SEIZED IN HARBIN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CHINA'S LATEST MOVE.
Moscow, July 30.
It is announced here that the Chinese authorities at Harbin have seized control of the (Soviet) Far Eastern Bank and ordered the Bank's officials to hand over the keys.
Instructions have been cabled, it is learned here, by M. Piatakov (Chairman of the State Bank), to the Chairman of the Far Eastern Bank in Harbin, to liquidate the Far Eastern Bank's activities.

SINO-SWEDISH TREATIES.

(Wah Tse Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, July 31.
The Swedish Chargé d'Affaires has notified the Ministry of Foreign Affairs that Sweden is ready to revise the Sino-Swedish treaties, and that the newly-appointed Swedish Minister to China will present to the National Government the credentials of Sweden in September, when the treaties will be revised.

ANOTHER NEWSPAPER "BANNED."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, July 31.
The French-owned Journal de Pekin has been refused mail facilities from this morning, upon orders from Nanking.

LI TSAI HSIN. TO BE RELEASED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, July 31.
The Central Political Council this morning decided to restore Marshal Li Tsai Hsin's freedom.

RUSSIAN FACTIONS DO BATTLE?

AN UNCONFIRMED REPORT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, July 30.
The South Manchuria Railway office has received a report that over 100 were killed and wounded in a clash between "Red" and "White" Russians at Inan, north of Vladivostok on July 28.
The report, however, cannot be confirmed in any other quarter.

COMMUNISM IN SHANGHAI.

RAIDS BY FRENCH POLICE.

DEEP-LAID PLOTS LAID BARE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, July 30.
As the outcome of a series of well-organised raids this week, the Police of the French Concession, Shanghai, have arrested 300 suspected Chinese Communists, of which number 55 have been detained, including 11 notorious leaders.

The French Police also seized a quantity of ammunition and a ton of Communist literature meant to incite violence. The Police also came into possession of detailed plans of the sectional Communist organisation operating in the French Concession area to cause disturbances on August 1.

These plans include the holding of a procession along Nanking-road, one of the principal thoroughfares of the International Settlement, Shanghai, in an endeavour to create an international incident.

The Police of the International Settlement have also been very busy in connection with eventualities arising out of the Communist meeting planned for August 1.

The Chinese authorities of the Chinese parts of Greater Shanghai have proclaimed regulations for the suppression of Communist agitation.

INDIAN JUTE STRIKE.

WOMAN LEADER HELD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CALCUTTA, July 30.
The dangerous possibilities of the jute mills strike is shown by strong pickets, wearing red badges and parading the streets trying to persuade the workers of other mills to join in the strike.
The police are active.

There is a persistent rumour that a woman Labour leader has been arrested.

SOVIET 'PLANE' VISITS LONDON.

FIRST SINCE THE WAR.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, July 30.
The triple engined Soviet aeroplane, "Wings of the Soviets", with nine passengers, is touring the European capitals. She has arrived at Croydon.

This is the first Russian machine to visit Britain since the war.

LANCASHIRE COTTON DISPUTE.

COURTAULD'S INVOLVED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, July 30.
It is feared that the Lancashire cotton trade dispute will seriously affect some of the thousands of operatives employed by Courtauld's, the great artificial silk concern.

A substantial percentage of Courtauld's output is normally absorbed by the Lancashire mills. Three of Courtauld's silk factories have temporarily closed down.

SUSPENSION RUMOURS DENIED.

H.M.S. EXETER TO BE COMPLETED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, July 30.
The Admiralty denies the Press report to the effect that the construction of the cruiser "Exeter" has been suspended, and points out that the "Exeter" was laid down in the 1927 programme whereas the two suspended cruisers belong to the 1928 programme.

POLITICAL TRUCE IN FRANCE.

BIG TASK BEFORE THE GOVERNMENT.

DEFENCE OF "RIGHTS."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, July 31.
M. Briand in the Chamber, and M. Barthou in the Senate, read a Ministerial declaration which appeals for a three months' party truce to enable the Government to defend the rights and interests of France at the forthcoming Hague Conference.

"Such a defence constitutes our real raison d'être, and is our sole programme" (it stated). "We need all your confidence to help us face the heaviest responsibilities which have weighed upon any Government since the end of the war."

NEW ZEALAND AND THE SINGAPORE BASE.

VITALLY INTERESTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WELLINGTON, N.Z., July 31.
In the House of Representatives today Sir Joseph Ward, replying to a question said that New Zealand had already contributed £250,000 towards the cost of the Singapore Base.

The Government attached the greatest importance to the base, and were not willing to reconsider the contribution payable by New Zealand towards its cost.

NAVAL HONOURS.

ADMIRAL TYRWHITT MADE G.C.B.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, July 30.
The Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath has been awarded to Admiral Sir Reginald Yorke Tyrwhitt, K.C.B., D.S.O., in recognition of his services as Commander-in-Chief of the China Station.

Admiral Sir Osmond de Beauvoir Brock has been promoted Admiral of the Fleet.
Captains A. Carpenter, V.C., (of Zebrugga fame) and K.G.R. Dewar (of "Royal Oak" court-martial fame) have been promoted Rear-Admirals, and retired.

SOVIET'S NEW "COLONY."

FRANZ JOSEF LAND ANNEXED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MOSCOW, July 30.
Acting upon Government orders the Soviet Arctic Expedition has hoisted the Soviet flag over Franz Josef Land "as a token of the incorporation of these islands in the Soviet Union."

[Franz Josef Land is an archipelago in the Arctic Ocean, to the north of Nova Zembla. It was discovered in 1873, by an Austrian expedition, and named after their Emperor, Franz Josef. According to one of the Gazetteers the islands extend to a distance "as yet undetermined."]

END OF ST. LOUIS ROBIN'S FLIGHT.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, July 30.
The St. Louis Robin landed at 7.35.
The St. Louis Robin, piloted by Dale Jackson and Forest O'Brien started at Culver City at 7.17 a.m. on July 13.

420 Hours in the Air.
The "St. Louis Robin's" achievement of 420 hours 21 minutes in the air beat the previous record by 74 days. The plane covered a distance equivalent to circling the globe at the Great Circle.

Over 15,000 cheering spectators watched the descent. The airman were afterwards medically examined and pronounced very fit. They share a \$34,000 bonus.

"VESTRIS" UNFIT FOR SEA.

BOARD OF TRADE'S FINDING.

CREW EXONERATED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, July 31.
The Board of Trade enquiry into the loss of the s.s. Vestris has given its judgment, that the vessel was in an unsafe condition when leaving Hoboken, and unfit to encounter the perils of the sea.

The Board also enumerated the following contributory causes of the disaster:—Loading the vessel beyond the loadline; the condition of the ship; the insufficient margin of stability and of buoyancy reserve; and the heavy weather, which caused a list.

It declares that the half-doors on the upper deck were not watertight; but finds that the lifeboats were in a seaworthy condition, and the arrangements for manning and launching them were efficient.

Further, the Vestris was efficiently officered and manned.

THE AMERICAN OIL WAR.

INDEPENDENT OWNERS' ULTIMATUM.

["D.P." Special Service.]

WASHINGTON, July 30.
Independent oil producers today notified the Senate Finance Committee that unless oil is given a protective tariff, they will demand a full and exhaustive investigation of books of the corporations and sub-corporations now controlling the petroleum industry in America.

The warning of the "independents" declared that interests opposing the tariff are identical with those controlling the American market, to the extent of dictation in the fixing of prices of crude and refined oil, and also in the opening of foreign fields, producing foreign crude oil by employing foreign labour.

Those interests are importing foreign products into the United States in competition with a domestic market dominated by themselves, it was said.
"Under present prices and policies we do not face competition, but rather extermination and extinction," the statement concluded.

SUICIDES IN U.S.

HIGHEST NUMBER ON RECORD.

["D.P." Special Service.]

New York, July 16.—The suicide rate in the United States for the year of 1928 was the highest on record since 1916, according to a report of Frederick L. Hoffman, consulting statistician of the Prudential Insurance Company. The rate in 1916 for 100 cities was eighteen per hundred thousand people, whereas the rate for 1928 was 17.5 per 100,000 in a survey of ninety-six cities.

The report indicates that the rate for 1928 has not reached the maximum figures prevailing in other years, particularly 1908 when the rate rose to 21.5. The tendency at present is for a higher rate.

"In view of general favourable industrial and business conditions this increase for the past year is difficult to understand," says the report. "But what is true of the country in general is not necessarily true in certain sections, or in particular elements of the population, which may be seriously affected by industrial or financial depressions."

Unwholesome Living.
Dr. Hoffman points out that there are reasons for believing that the life of to-day, in many respects, is unwholesome in quarters which find it difficult to maintain a good standard of living without anxiety and toil.

Of the 156 cities studied in preparing the report, 88 were found to have increased suicide rates over those in 1927. San Diego, San Francisco and Seattle, three of the leading cities of the Pacific Coast, had larger percentages of suicides per 100,000 than any other American cities.

"It is very difficult," says the report, "to draw definite conclusions from the available data as regards possible local causative factors. Regardless of an immense literature on suicide as yet no lucid explanation has been forthcoming."

The survey says that it believes that approximately 15,000 persons died of suicide in the country last year, and that probably 25 or 40 thousand more attempted suicide. The report lays many cases of suicide to high living, motion pictures, and the maintenance of disproportionate social and economic positions.—United Press.

SCOUTS' JAMBOREE OPENS.

50,000 BOYS GATHER AT BIRKENHEAD.

HUGE CROWDS PRESENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, July 31.
Fifty thousand Boy Scouts representing 42 nations and 32 parts of the British Empire, gave a big yell of welcome when the Duke of Connaught arrived at Arrowe Park, Birkenhead, to open the International Jamboree to-day.

The weather was cold and chilly rain fell heavily. Crowds arrived by ferry boats, motor-coaches, and private cars, and some even by air, from early morning, and settled round the great arena, where from the Royal Box the Duke of Connaught in the afternoon gave the signal for the show to begin.

The Duke had previously lunched privately in the camp with the Chief Scout, Sir Robert Baden-Powell.

SEATTLE-TOKYO FLIGHT.

ATTEMPT ON PACIFIC PLANNED.

["D.P." Special Service.]

SEATTLE, July 31.
Mr. Robert Wark to-day announced a projected non-stop flight from Seattle to Tokyo, stopping for refuelling at Dutch Harbour.

The plane will carry two pilots, and will be of the Curtiss Robin type, with a Challenger motor—in fact, a duplicate of the "St. Louis Robin."

The flight is expected to start within six weeks.—United Press.

BRIGHT LIGHTS OF PARIS.

ATTRACT YOUTHS FROM RURAL DISTRICTS.

PARIS, July 15.—The bright lights in Paris are proving such an attraction to farm-boys and milkmaids that the French parliament has been called upon to stop the serious depopulation of the rural districts. It is estimated that nearly 8,000,000 youths of have deserted the cows and chickens since 1914.

A resolution tending to lessen this exodus from the agricultural regions has just been presented to the Chamber of Deputies by Maurice Dormann and Prosper Blanc. After a long statistical survey showing that the farming population, which in 1850 was over 75 per cent. of the whole country, has now diminished to less than 50 per cent., the resolution suggests that the attractions of the cities be made available as well to the rustic gentry of France.

In connection with this resolution it is pointed out that the stories of a few successful country lads and girls who have come to Paris have stimulated thousands of others to do likewise often with disastrous and tragic results. The craving of girls to become a second Mistinguette and boys to be another Maurice Chevalier is among the causes for this constant flow of youth to Paris and other large French cities.

An Easter Life.
"In resume, the principal causes for the abandonment of the country," reads the resolution, "are as follows:—Meagre gains from agricultural efforts, the attraction of political offices, the appeal of old age pensions and the hope of an easier and more agreeable life in the city."

Among the remedies suggested to meet this situation are the electrification of the principal farming regions of France, the installation of modern water-works, the extension of facilities for borrowing money by young farmers who wish to improve their condition, and better educational means for the children of the country. The resolution also provides for the establishment of a national office of "study in the Ministry of Agriculture. This office would devote special attention to economic and social conditions of the farmers."

The resolution then points out in detail that it is necessary to offer to the rural folk all the conveniences of urban life. Telephone communications should be improved, the opportunities of culture is also envisaged and is expected to include the sending of theatrical troupes into the agricultural regions. These dramatic companies would give the plays of Moliere as well as the latest hits in the Paris show-houses.—United Press.

SEAMEN RETURN TO THE FOLD.

UNION REJOINS T.U.C.

LAST YEAR'S BREACH HEALED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, July 30.
The Seamen's Union is returning to the Trades' Union Congress.

Under the guidance of the late Mr. Havelock Wilson, its founder, the Union took up an entirely non-political attitude and was expelled from the Congress last year because it supported the formation of non-political unions in the mining areas.

As a result of a dispute with the Transport and General Workers' Union stoppages recently occurred at several ports.

FLYING BOATS FOR MAIL SERVICE.

TO REPLACE CROSS-CHANNEL LINERS.

[United Press.]

PARIS, July 8.—A great fleet of giant seaplanes to replace the present cross-Channel air liners and the construction of air ports on the Seine and Thames are suggested by the Belgian "airman," Capt. Willy Coppens. His suggestion follows the disaster to the London-Paris-Belle air giant, City of Ottawa, in the English Channel recently with the loss of seven lives, including one American.

Willy Coppens, a hero of the war on the Western Front, has been long an advocate of floats for planes crossing any considerable expanse of water carrying heavy loads of passengers. Although the English Channel is only 21 miles across at the "shortest points," Coppens contends that the quarter-hour or thereabouts required for a heavy commercial plane to cross is too long for the machine to be away from land.

Thousands of crossings may be made in safety, but the time comes when something happens, maybe not big enough to cause an accident on land, and the giant plunges into the waves with its cargo of human life.

For the Future.

"I have crossed the Channel by air 130 times in a machine without floats and always considered it a risk," the Belgian declares. "I concluded long ago that a catastrophe was necessary to call attention to the danger. The catastrophe has happened, after others less terrible and I now believe it right to stress the lesson and urge the constructors of transport air liners to study floating airplanes or amphibians and encourage transport companies to employ them in preference for the 'mixed' air lines, that is to say where flight over both continents and sea are involved."

Consulted on the scheme, airplane manufacturers themselves declare flying boats would certainly both be safer and more convenient. They could land on the Seine near the Place de la Concorde and the Chamber of Deputies and, correspondingly, on the Thames near the Houses of Parliament in London. At both terminals, this would enable a saving of three quarters of an hour auto journey from city to airfield.

The type of giant flying boat now used in the regular daily service between Southampton and the Channel Islands is favoured for the service.

Coppens' suggestion is not likely to bear fruit for some time, however, since both French and British air lines have put in construction entire fleets of luxury planes with wheels and the cost of superseding these and their existing fleets of air giants would run into many millions of dollars.

THRILLS IN A POLICE MOTOR CHASE.

HEAD-ON COLLISION WITH SUSPECTS' CAR.

An exciting scene, in which a motor-car containing five men was stated to have been driven "straight into" a police car, was described at North London Police Court when five men were remanded on charges of being suspected persons loitering with intent to commit a felony and having in their possession housebreaking implements by night.

They were:—

Albert Paine, aged thirty-four, a carman, of no fixed home; George Price, aged thirty-eight, a labourer, of New North-road, Hoxton; William Baldock, aged thirty-two, pianoforte furbisher, of Allerton-street; Daniel Lawrence, aged twenty-nine, a labourer, of Dorchester-street; and William Prince, aged twenty-six, a labourer, of no fixed home.

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H.M.S. DEVONSHIRE ACCIDENT.

HOW THE EXPLOSION HAPPENED.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, July 30.
The Admiralty states that it has ascertained that the disastrous explosion aboard H.M.S. "Devonshire" is attributed to "hangfire" at short duration in a gun in an eight inch turret.

The gunner controlling the breech mechanism, owing to the simultaneous discharge of other guns, momentarily thought his gun had also fired and the reloading operation started.

It is probable the mistake would have been immediately discovered, but that before it could be rectified, the charge exploded and blew out the partially unlocked breech block with great force.

The explosion also ignited the cordite charges waiting in the containers to be loaded for the next round.

Y.M.C.A. BACHELORS.

AND THE WIVES THEY SEEK.

NO RUSH OF APPLICANTS?

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Less "necking," smoking and drinking, and more prudence and modesty are the improvements desired of the Modern Miss by Y.M.C.A. bachelors here, according to answers received to a questionnaire distributed recently by association officials.

Division of opinion was sharp on marrying a girl "with a past," it was revealed. Fifteen were against having a girl disclose any "mistake she had made before marriage," while 11 thought everything should be told. Many indicated if they knew of the girl's past they would go through with the ceremony provided "she had reformed." Some said they would rather tell about the "mistake" than someone else.

Give 'Em Looks!

Nearly all favoured beauty, holding if she was not naturally so endowed, she should "make the most of her look."

Only one dissented from the opinion a woman's love was essential to man's happiness, while all but three believed children "necessary to domestic bliss." The number of children per family varied, the majority, however, declared two or three to be sufficient.

Ideas on family finances differed greatly. Seventeen said their wives could handle all the cash, 11 opposed such action, 7 favoured placing their wives on "allowances," and five thought a "50-50" agreement practical.

The wife should not work after marriage, so stated a majority of the grooms-to-be, but many argued a few years of work after the honeymoon was "O.K."

Swearing by the fair sex was tabooed by all. But one reflected that if he loved a girl enough, nothing could stop him.

The information was sought by the Y.M.C.A. officials in connection with its study of the ideals of the youth of to-day.

Detective Sergeant Law, Scotland-yard, said that at 4.35 a.m. he was patrolling in a police car, accompanied by Detective Sergeant McPherson in another police car.

"We are Police Officers."

Prince was followed by Sergeant McPherson and other detectives in a police car and presently Prince returned driving a car, in which he picked up the other four men. They went together to a shop further up the road.

"I then saw that the car was driving rapidly towards us," added Sergeant Law. "I shouted 'We are police officers,' and displayed the police sign on the front of the car."

"Prince then drove the car straight into my car, smashing the front of it and bucking one of the front wheels. The impact threw us to the side of the road. The men's car swerved to the pavement and Prince then drove the car into a head-on collision with the other police car."

"The two cars remained locked and the five men jumped out and ran away. They were arrested after a fierce struggle."

Sergeant Law showed the magistrate a parcel post mailing bag and a small wooden safe carrier which, he said, he found in a lock-up garage at Stoke Newington to which Prince had been followed.

Prince: I put it to you that there were only four men in the car. You arrested me on the pavement, did you not?

Sergeant Law: I arrested you when you jumped out of the car. Prince said that he did not go anywhere near the car.

Sports News

THE WATER POLO LEAGUE.

V.R.C. JUNIORS TROUNCE KOWLOON SWIMMING CLUB'S SECONDS.

TEN GOALS TO NIL VICTORY.

[By "WATERMAN"]

The only game in the Water Polo League yesterday was between V.R.C. "B" and the Kowloon Swimming Club "B." The former running away with the game and finishing up ten goals to the good. The Kowloon S.C.'s second string were unable to obtain a single goal. The V.R.C.'s second string gave a very impressive display and from what was seen yesterday, it seems to me that they have a very good chance of finishing near the top of the league table. I feel that yesterday's winners will give the Chinese "B" a good run for their money and when the match does come off it should draw a big audience.

The Teams.

V.R.C. "B"—Rocha, Foraita, Remedios, Lawrence, Victor, Maynard, Roza Pereira.
Kowloon "B"—Harvey, Hast, Murphy, Lawson, Forsyth, Bliss, Tillery.

The Game.

From beginning to end, the game was a sorry tale for the Kowloon Swimming Club. The V.R.C. scored five goals in the first half and added a like number in the second.

Getting the leather at once, the V.R.C. backs were able to feed their forwards, and early on, Victor had an opportunity which did not materialise. Within forty-five seconds Roza Pereira, emerging from a scramble near the Kowloon goal, scored with a slow overhead throw.

Resuming, Kowloon brought play into the V.R.C.'s quarter but only remained there for a while. Foraita for V.R.C. got away with the ball and missed an easy chance. Some well balanced play followed but eventually Roza Pereira was on the point of shooting when Foraita in the excitement of the moment ducked Hast who was defending and was ordered out of the bath. Despite the fact that they were playing six against seven, the V.R.C. confined play to Kowloon's area and a good pass by Roza Pereira to Lawrence accounted for the second goal.

The V.R.C. again kept the ball in Kowloon's section and their forwards went in for a time for long shots but without success, Victor missing by inches on one occasion. Bliss, for Kowloon, broke away and had a shot at the V.R.C. goal, but went wide. A few seconds later Roza Pereira looked dangerous at the Kowloon's goal mouth and was fouled by one of the backs. From the resultant throw Lawrence scored.

OBERAMMERGAU'S PASSION PLAY.

THE CHRISTUS TO RETIRE?

[United Press.]

Oberammergau, July 4.—Anton Lang is anxious to retire from the role of Christus in the decennially produced Passion Play of Oberammergau. Interviewed by a United Press representative, he said that because of his advancing years he wished to withdraw in favour of a younger man. Nevertheless, he added, he will abide by the decision of the general committee, which is to meet in September to select the cast for the 1930 performances.

"I do not feel," he declared, "that I am growing any stronger in the acting of the leading role as I should wish. You do not know what a great physical strain it is to hang on the cross for a full hour. One must also not forget that the weather changes, which can take place within a few hours in a mountain village, demand a healthy constitution for acting on an open air stage."

The fourth goal came in exactly the same way, the backs fouling Roza Pereira, who, on being given the throw, passed the leather to Lawrence, who scored.

Just before the interval, a wild scramble took place in front of the Kowloon goal and Roza Pereira came through to add the fifth goal of the match.

Second Half.

In the second half the V.R.C. kept up the fast pace and on every occasion were first to the ball. The sixth goal came within twenty seconds of the restart, Victor getting the ball and the backs passing it to Lawrence to do the necessary.

The next goal followed even more rapidly. The V.R.C. swimmers just swam into the Kowloon's area and a good pass from Ribeiro at back to Roza Pereira, who was well up, was all that was necessary.

Kowloon steadied up a bit and held the V.R.C. in check for a while, but Hast eventually gave way to pressure from the V.R.C. forwards. Foraita swam in with the ball to score the eighth goal for the V.R.C.

The ninth goal was the best of the afternoon. The players were bunched up outside Kowloon's goal, when Ribeiro for V.R.C. shot through the whole lot with a swift shot, which not only beat the goalkeeper, but all the backs and forwards who were waiting at the goalmouth for the timely pass.

Remedios was responsible for the tenth and last goal of the match. Final score—V.R.C. "B" 10; Kowloon S.C. "B" 0.

Referee: Mr. A. Weyman.

The League Table.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Kowloon "A"	1	1	0	0	2
Chinese "B"	1	1	0	0	2
Royal Navy	1	1	0	0	2
V.R.C. "A"	1	1	0	0	2
V.R.C. "B"	1	1	0	0	2
Somersets	1	0	0	1	0
K.O.S.B. "A"	1	0	0	1	0
K.O.S.B. "B"	1	0	0	1	0
Kowloon "B"	1	0	0	1	0
Chinese "A"	1	0	0	1	0

Next Week's Games.

The second round of the League will be played next week when the following fixtures will be gone through:

August, 5:—	Somersets v. Chinese "B."
	Kowloon "A" v. K.O.S.B. "B."
August, 6:—	K.O.S.B. "A" v. Kowloon "B."
	Royal Navy v. V.R.C. "A."
August 7:—	V.R.C. "B" v. "Chinese "A."

Ceramic Artist.

The correspondent found Lang in his home and hard at work—the good Christus is an artist in ceramics. He spoke, not like the much travelled, world-famous personage that he is, but softly and modestly as befits a man who three times has played the part of the Christ in the Oberammergau mystery drama.

He said that his part in the play, because it had moved him so deeply and because he wished to portray the character of the Christ as truthfully as was humanly possible, had absorbed so much of his life that he had had little or no time for his family and his other work. He wished to resume in full the duties and responsibilities devolving upon him as head of a family.

"I wish to observe the traditions of the village," he said. "In accordance with old customs, this role of honour should now again be taken over by some other artist in the village. Perhaps the coming man is the young wood carver who every day passes my window as though he wished to study me and my mannerisms in preparation for the role."

"What does the wood-carver look like?" Lang was asked.

"In my opinion he has everything that belongs to a man who would play the part of Christus. But all that will be taken into consideration by the committee when it meets in September to decide this question."

Tennis Notes.

Owing to unfavourable weather, no matches have been played in the Tennis League for a long period. Many ties are thus in arrears, and fixtures have become very much dislocated. Unless the various Clubs concerned will seize opportunities to play off their postponed matches, the season will be unduly prolonged.

In the "A" Division, however, owing to the comparatively small number of Clubs competing, the arrears in fixtures are not so noticeable. In most cases Clubs have only a couple of ties to complete their fixtures, the outstanding ones of which are:—

Hong Kong C.C. v. Recreio, Chinese R.C. v. University, Recreio v. South China, Recreio v. M.B.K., Recreio v. I.R.C., Craignower v. Kowloon C.C., Craignower v. I.R.C., Craignower v. University.

A good deal has been heard and written of the form in the "A" Division from time to time but it is worth while to record the favourable impression made by South China Athletic Association, who are in the senior division for the first time. They have shown up far better than generally expected, their success against the Indian Recreation Club being a big surprise to most followers of the game.

To date they have won three matches and lost four, while they are expected to win their last match, which is against Club de Recreio. In either case they will finish in the Table above such old time Leaguers as the Indian Recreation Club and the University. To achieve this, they have had to take the competition seriously to heart, and their three pairs have vied with each other to return good results.

Competition for the "B" shield is fast coming to a head. The struggle so far has been quite interesting, but owing to the very great attraction of the "A" Division this season, it has not drawn as much attention as it has deserved. Rivalry for the first place is still very keen, and it is expected that the two Clubs who are at present in the running will meet as soon as the weather clears up.

Hong Kong Cricket Club and the Chinese Recreation Club are the two contenders. To date the former have beaten M.B.K., Recreio, Nippon Club, R.E. and S., and Y.M.C.A., while the Chinese Recreation Club have beaten Recreio, South China, Kowloon C.C., Indian R.C., University, R.E. and S. and Y.M.C.A. The Chinese have on paper the better side, and their players are seasoned and experienced League exponents, who have all taken part in the League for a good number of years, so that they are generally expected to win. The changed system of scoring, however, has to be reckoned with, and as the new system appears to suit the temperament of the H.K.C.C. players the result is very open. No other club appears capable of approaching the two above-mentioned.

The "C" Division bids fair to be even more interesting. At present neither the Club de Recreio nor South China have dropped a point, while the Chinese Recreation Club have lost to the latter only, but are close on their victor's heels, watching for an opportunity for a triangular tie. Recreio must meet them, so that both the Portuguese and South China must reckon with the Chinese R.C. who possess a strong team. At the present Recreio lead with six matches played and won, followed by Chinese R.C. with five matches won and one lost, while South China are fourth with four wins.

The Mixed Doubles League should have been brought to a conclusion yesterday when Craignower would have met Kowloon Cricket Club, but rain made play impossible. This is the only outstanding match in this League; all the other clubs having completed their fixtures. Kowloon have beaten all the others, so that a win for them would have given them the Shield, while Craignower, who have lost one match, must beat Kowloon to force a triangular contest between Kowloon, Chinese R.C. and themselves.

H.K.F.A. COUNCIL DISCUSSION.

ALLEGED DISCOURTESY BY A MEMBER.

ACTING WITHOUT AUTHORITY OF COUNCIL.

A heated discussion took place yesterday when the Council of the Hong Kong Football Association met to consider correspondence about the playing of charity matches by affiliated and unaffiliated Clubs during the close season.

Mr. R. Hall presided at the meeting, and the correspondence which formed the subject of the debate was read by Mr. W. E. Hollands (Hon. Secretary). It appeared that the Society of St. Vincent de Paul had approached certain gentlemen for assistance for their funds, and that a circular letter had been sent to eight Clubs asking whether they were willing to take part in a charity competition. It was suggested that Mr. F. T. James, a member of the Council, had acted in a discourteous manner by identifying himself with this movement, which had not received the sanction of the Council.

The Chairman explained that a month ago the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall made an offer of a trophy for charity matches and that this was not accepted as it was felt that there was no more room for such competitions. He then reviewed the position and asked for the views of the meeting.

Mr. Ormiston expressed agreement with the Chairman's remarks and thought the matter should go no further. At the same time he wished to know whether Mr. James would withdraw the letter.

Mr. James Explains His Case.

Mr. James in the course of a lengthy address said that the H.K.F.A. were admittedly the supreme authority controlling football in the Colony. They must not, however, endanger their dignity by assuming a false dignity. The rules of the English Football Association emphatically say that all receipts should be handed to charity, and he thought that was all the H.K.F.A. need say.

Explaining how the circular letter came to be written, Mr. James said that he was approached by an outside gentleman as to the possibilities of collecting funds for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul by holding a competition during the close season. As a very deserving charity was involved, he advised the gentleman to write to the Clubs. He stressed the fact that he wrote to the Association about the matter an hour after the proposal was made to him.

Mr. James asked if there could be any possible objection to such a competition being run for a well-known institution and by a well-known member of the Council, possibly assisted by other members. If there was, he asked for concrete reasons and reference to the rules upon which the Council made their objections.

Mr. Hollands pointed out that there was no close season in Hong Kong, as although football was not played during a certain period of the year the Association still had control of the game all the year round. He thought that Mr. James was not justified in his remarks. Mr. Duncan said that having carefully listened to what had been said he thought the best thing that Mr. James, as a very old member, could have done was to have put the matter before the Council. It was not in keeping with the spirit of the Association that a member should do canvassing work without their knowledge.

"An Acrimonious Discussion."

"The charge of discourtesy to this Council I most emphatically repudiate," retorted Mr. James following further observations by the Chairman. He went on to say that the circular letter was under another gentleman's signature. That gentleman asked the Clubs whether they were willing to play in such a competition, and as far as he (Mr. James) could see he has not transgressed the laws. "What has anybody done that he should not have done?" asked Mr. James.

Mr. James continued that last year he wrote to the Association about a charity match and he got no reply. The letter was laid on the table at the Council meeting and nothing was done. He said that instead of getting a reply from the Council what followed was an acrimonious discussion which was much to be regretted.

Mr. Hollands again spoke pointing out that the H.K.F.A. had done more than their bit for the charitable institutions in the Colony. During the discussion Mr. James proposed the following resolution:—"That the Council agree to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul running this competition so long as they abide by the rules of the Association." This was seconded by Mr. Shak and put to the meeting, but received no other support, four members voting against it.

HOME CRICKET.

GLOUCESTER AND YORKSHIRE CHECKED.

[THROCKSBURY'S AGENCY.]

London, July 30.

At the Oval, Surrey defeated Kent by eight wickets. Scores:—Surrey (1st innings) 415 (Hobbs made 118) and 180 for 2 wickets. Kent (1st innings) 258 (Ames 109; Peach took 8 wickets for 92 runs) and, following on 338 (Ames 99; Peach 6 for 101).

Gloucester v. Somerset.

At Bristol, Gloucestershire conceded 1st innings' points to Somersetshire. Scores:—

Somerset 288 (Young 104; Parker 5 for 88) and 133 for 5, declared (Parker 4 for 74).

Gloucester 169 (J. C. White 6 for 50) and 134 for 2 wickets.

Warwick v. Lancashire.

At Birmingham, Warwickshire lost to Lancashire by ten wickets. Scores:—

Lancashire 459 and 12 for no wicket. Warwickshire 240 and, following on, 219 (Macdonald 5 for 104).

Yorkshire v. Leicestershire.

At Dewsbury, Yorkshire conceded 1st innings' points to Leicestershire. Scores:—

Leicestershire 298 (Bowes 8 for 77) and 154 for 4 wickets, declared. Yorkshire 177 and 116 for no wicket.

(Continued on next Column.)

COUNCILS' GREAT TASK.

AMALGAMATION SCHEME APPROVED.

Llandrindod Wells.—The future of urban councils under the new Local Government Act caused much discussion among the eight hundred delegates of the Urban District Councils' Association, who assembled here recently from all parts of England and Wales.

Mr. William Coulson Hesse, a barrister, said that in future urban councils would be required to administer areas with populations of 20,000, and he advised the councils not to wait for county council schemes but to take voluntary action.

"Do not wait for the county council to give you new boundaries," said Mr. Coulson. "Choose your own. If you do not you may have one you do not like."

The chairman said there was no ground for saying that all urban areas of less than 20,000 would be wiped out.

The conference "approved of voluntary amalgamations, but refused to agree to assistance being given to small councils by the appointment of a special legal adviser."

Derby v. Middlesex.

At Derby, Derbyshire lost to Middlesex (who were without Henderson) by 78 runs. Scores:—

Middlesex 217 (Worthington 4 for 71) and 190 (Worthington 5 for 53). Derbyshire 148 (R. W. V. Robins 4 for 29) and 184 (Nigel Haig 4 for 50).

Northants v. Essex.

At Northampton, Northamptonshire defeated Essex by six wickets. Scores:—

Essex 185 and 257 (Clark 6 for 79). Northants 197 for 8, declared and 238 for 4 wickets (Woolley, C. N. 102 not out).

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"NORMAL LIFE OF A PARLIAMENT."

PREMIER'S CLAIM FOR CONFIDENCE.

"The country has called upon us to try to fulfil our ideas, and we have accepted the responsibility. We ask the nation to give us confidence through the normal life of a Parliament."

This appeal was made by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Prime Minister, speaking in London at a diamond jubilee dinner of the Co-operative Printing Society, at which he was accompanied by five other members of the Cabinet.

He asked for confidence "while we are struggling with the wild beasts of Ephesus—with adverse circumstances created by the historical evolution that has preceded us."

The Foundations.

Mr. MacDonald said that up to the moment of going to the dinner he had been engaged at Downing-street in trying to lay the foundations of what he hoped would be the finest and fairest fabric for peace that any Government could ever build for the delight, the honour, and the comfort of the nation for which it was responsible. He continued with emphasis: "We are not going into peace conferences without such a preliminary preparation as will avoid the failure of 1927. There must be preparation before there is demonstration, and not one of us responsible for the pursuit of peace by the Government of ours is going to demonstrate before we have something to demonstrate about."

"When we have accomplished our work, we are going to give you a balance of choice. There are risks of peace, there are risks of war. I am banking upon the risks of peace, and if the nation is to take any risks at all, we are going to ask it to take the risk of peace rather than the risk of war."

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Money and Markets

HONG KONG SHARES.

MID-WEEK REPORT.

We have received the following report from Mr. Harry Odell, stock and share broker:-

For the period under review, business has been on a restricted scale, but prices generally have remained steady, with very few changes.

Banks.—After having come to business at \$1.35, are still in demand at this figure.

Bank of East Asia.—A small quantity changed hands at \$88.75. Canton Insurance.—Can be placed at \$620, with sellers holding out for \$630.

H.K. Fire.—Continue neglected. Unions.—Sales effected from \$923 to \$930, with further inquiries at \$925.

Underwriters.—Are wanted at \$1.50 without attracting sellers. Steamboats.—Are on offer at \$24.

Raubs.—Continue in demand at \$8, with a few small lots offering at \$9.

Wharves.—Were dealt in at \$127 to \$128, and at the latter price more shares can be obtained.

Providents.—Have receded to \$4.30, at which rate shares were taken off the market.

Ewo Cottons.—Have been the medium of considerable business from Tls. 14 1/2 to Tls. 15, but at the close are available at Tls. 15, locally.

Hotels.—Have buyers at \$8.35 and sellers at \$8.45.

Lands.—Were done at \$61 1/2, with buyers now offering only \$61.

Humphreys.—Sales were reported at \$13, with further buyers.

Realty.—Continue in request at \$8 1/2.

Trams.—Have been sold down to \$18.70 for ready delivery, \$19.10 for September and \$19 1/2 for October.

Ferries.—Were placed at \$94, with further inquiries.

Electricity.—Sales effected from \$35 1/2 to \$36, and at the close there are buyers at \$35 1/2.

Lights.—Are in demand at \$13.03, with business resulting at \$13.10 Cash and \$13.20 for October.

Cements (Combined).—Have recovered from \$8.55 to \$9.10, with sales effected at the latter rate for Cash, and \$9.35 for September.

Dairy Farms.—The persistent inquiries of a week ago have slackened, but shares can still be sold at \$19.50.

Amusements.—Have buyers at \$90 1/2 and sellers at \$90 3/4, ex the dividend of \$2.50 per share, recently paid.

Dividends.—An interim dividend of 30 cents per share, payable on August 3, has been declared by the Hong Kong Realty and Trust Co., Ltd.

The Exchange rates for the day are:-

T.T. on London 1/11-1/8
T.T. on Shanghai 8 1/2
Next Settlement Day, Tuesday, August 27.

HONG KONG MARKET REPORTS.

Yesterday's quotations for rice and other food-stuffs were as follows:-

	Per Picul.
Common White, Hung Miu	\$9.65
Common White, Hung Ao	7.49
Common White, Hung Wu	8.03
Dip Unglutinous, Ching Fu	7.30
Lam	7.30
Long Unglutinous, Hung Yat	7.37
White Bran, Black Seal	3.51
Miscellaneous.	
Coarse granulated sugar, No. 18	\$6.63
Coarse granulated sugar, No. 24	7.18
Green Sugar, Manila	5.85
Brown sugar, Java	5.35
Beard's paw	7.50
Dried Mushroom, Heung	135.00
Shun	165.00
Ansied	8.40
Soy Bean	6.90
Black Bean	6.70

CANTON STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

CANTON, July 30.	
Water Works	\$3.40
Electric Light & Power	3.80
Canton-Hankow Railways	40
The Sun Company	97.00
Shanghai Company	129.00
Nanyang Brothers	4.70
Kwangtung Tramways Co.	2.40
China Merchants' S.N. Co.	35.00
Central Bank of China	31.00

THE TRIUMPH OF EMERALD RUBBER.

BIGGER PROFITS IN DIFFICULT YEAR.

The seventeenth annual general meeting of shareholders of the Emerald Rubber and Coconut Co., Ltd., was held on June 13, at the registered office, 124, St. Vincent Street, Glasgow, Sir Robert D. Moncrieff, Bt., C.B., C.M.G., V.D., T.D. (chairman), presiding.

In presenting the report of the directors for the year to January 31, 1929, the chairman said: "Gentlemen, When I had the pleasure of addressing you last year the outlook for the rubber-growing industry was anything but promising, and there were many dismal prophecies as to the likely trend of affairs in the following year or two with unrestricted production. However much we may deplore the method adopted by the Government for the removal of restriction in October last, the immediate task of the boards of rubber-growing companies was to find the best way of meeting the unpleasant situation."

Some companies, probably because of the absolute necessity to reduce costs of production to a figure which would show a small margin of profit or at least minimise the loss sustained by selling at "panic prices," decided to tap all out, but the majority appear to have followed the wiser course of tapping on a conservative basis, which provides for a certain proportion of the estates being allowed to rest for a period.

Fortunately, owing to the extension of road transport in almost every country, and the largely increased consumption in U.S.A., the large accumulations have been and are being well absorbed. A continuation of the present rate of absorption should result in a steadier market, and possibly an improving price for the commodity.

Increase in Profits. Considering that the period covered by the accounts was probably one of the worst ever experienced by the rubber industry, I think you will agree with me that the result is indeed very satisfactory. The profit of £21,584 14s. 3d. is a few hundred pounds better than that of the previous year.

By refraining from paying a final dividend last year the sum which we carried forward was increased by about \$10,000, and in addition to providing for the proposed dividend of 8 per cent and £2,000 for depreciation of buildings, plant and machinery we propose to transfer £5,000 to the credit of reserve account, thus bringing our capital receipts—which include share capital, premium, and reserve accounts—into closer relation with the cost of our own estates and our share of the cost of Anak Kulim Estate. The amount carried forward to the current year—viz., £15,518 12s. 3d., is fully £26,000 higher than the corresponding balance two years ago.

For the first two years the stems are systematically trimmed in order that the stalk may multiply. There are three crops a year, and harvesting takes place in the months of June, July and August. The stems are crushed in the middle that the bark may be peeled off downward. The cuticle is removed by soaking in water.

The fibre thus treated is known as raw rubber. Under a slow charcoal fire the raw rubber rapidly dries. Sometimes it is dried in the sun. After this, the fibre is rolled up in bundles before it is delivered for sale.

Inasmuch as rubber is something of national importance it is grown in practically every province of China.

Ramie is one of the strongest and finest fibres known. It lacks elasticity, but is durable. It has a brilliant silky lustre, and its fibres are exceptionally long varying from 3 to 16 inches in length. Ramie is classified according to the time of harvest, and further graded in other ways.

The grades are distinguished on the basis of the length and quality of the fibre. Ramie of different grades may be mixed in any proportion, and the price varies accordingly.

CANTON TRADE NOTES.

Only fifty bales of No. 14/16 raw silk were sold on Tuesday at H.K. \$925 per bale.

Canton Central Bank of China notes have been rising steadily and on Tuesday the \$1 note was quoted at twenty-seven cents silver.

Some 35,555 tons of coal were imported in July consisting 16,954 tons Japanese, 8,220 tons Dutch, 5,551 tons Haiphong, 4,500 tons Indian and 3,200 tons Kailan.

Silk merchants are very indignant at the increased import duty imposed by the Indo-China Government. They have asked the Foreign Office at Nanking to take up the matter with the French authorities.

The price of chamois horn, a valuable Chinese medicine ingredient has risen sharply. Chamois horn comes from the Tibet-Russia border and very little has been available since the Sino-Soviet crisis started. The current price is over eighty dollars per tael.

Mineral water factories are doing well in Canton. Their number has increased and they are doing a very good trade with the country districts. Much less is being imported from Hong-Kong than formerly and quite a considerable amount is going to the British Colony.

The price of foreign flour which rose sharply a few days ago has become steady, as demand has fallen off. It is however unlikely that the price will drop in view of the comparative failure of the wheat crop in Canada and the United States from which places the bulk of flour is imported. The price of Chinese flour has advanced proportionally.

The market for the various petroleum products has been subject to great fluctuations, with a falling tendency. Moreover, as already pointed out in the last report, there is a lack of system in the manner in which the various producers are supplying the non-producing countries with oil and its products.

Too often it is seen that one company is shipping to a certain country which could be supplied at

ago. Further allocations to reserve account will be necessary in the next year or two to provide for the development and upkeep of the young areas.

Crop Estimate.

In arriving at the estimated crops of 1,325,000 lb. our managers have made allowance for resting during the wintering period and also at other times throughout the year when considered advisable for the welfare of the estate. Bark renewal is reported to be satisfactory, and is being improved by cultivation and drainage. The visiting agent reports that the estates are in good order generally.

Much hard and efficient work has been done by our staff in the East, under the guidance of our agents and visiting agent, and I feel sure some shareholder will wish to express our appreciation by moving a vote of thanks to them before we separate to-day.

Our share of the expenditure on Anak Kulim Estate for the year amounted to \$4,475, and the loan account, which represents our interest in the property, now stands at £30,847 17s. 4d.

Planting Programme.

At December 31, last there were 1,214 acres planted with rubber and eight acres planted with coconuts. Progress is now being made with the opening up of a further area of 421 acres to be planted up with rubber during the current year, and it is intended to clear and plant an additional 400 acres during 1930, when the planted area will be slightly over 2,000 acres. Development is proceeding on satisfactory lines, and the visiting agent's indications are that the estate will give very satisfactory yields. This should eventually prove a valuable asset to our company, and provide an insurance against the possible contingency of decreasing yields from the older planted areas of our own estates.

When it became known that large stocks were accumulating on estates, and that these were likely to be released on the abolition of restriction, it was impossible to foresee to what extent the price of the commodity would be affected. Your board, therefore, decided to make some forward sales in order to safeguard the position for the first six months of the year, which was then regarded as probably the most difficult period.

The report and accounts were adopted; and a first and final dividend of 8 per cent, subject to deduction of tax, was declared; £5,000 was transferred to reserve account; £2,000 was allowed for depreciation of buildings, plant and machinery, and the balance of £15,518 12s. 3d. was carried forward to the current year's account.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

Paris 99.05
Geneva 97.70
Berlin 20.37
Oslo 18.20
Helsingfors 193
Athens 375
Shanghai 244
Silver (spot) 24 1/2
Silver (forward) 24 1/2
New York 4.85 15/32
Amsterdam 12.104
Stockholm 18.10
Vienna 34.425
Madrid 33.25
Budapest 81 1/2
Hong Kong 1/11 1/2
Brussels 34.90
Milan 99.825
Copenhagen 18.21
Prague 164
Lisbon 108.20
Bombay 1/5 25/32
Yokohama 1/10 15/16

BIGGER PROFITS BY ROYAL DUTCH.

DEVELOPMENT OF GROUP ACTIVITIES.

The report of the Royal Dutch Co. for the working of petroleum wells in the Netherlands Indies for 1928 became available in mail week. It is shown that the net profit amounts to Fl. 103,397,750, against Fl. 101,978,638 for 1927. Adding Fl. 323,438 brought in, there is an available balance of Fl. 103,721,188, compared with Fl. 103,157,937 last year. As already known, a dividend of 24 per cent is maintained, a balance of Fl. 1,015,025 being carried forward.

The world's production of crude oil is still maintaining its upward tendency, states the report. When the production of the past year is compared with that of 1927 it is seen that in 1928 more than 187 million metric tons were produced, as against a round 173 millions in 1927.

Venezuela Second.

Owing to the production of the United States having been practically on the same level in 1928 as in 1927, that country's percentage in the world's production of the past year was less than in 1927, having dropped from 72 per cent to 69 per cent. As was to be expected, Venezuela now ranks second on the list of petroleum-producing countries, Russia having been relegated to the third place.

In Mexico production continues to decline, while, on the other hand, Colombia records an appreciable increase.

The Dutch East Indies are showing steady progress; Persia and Roumania, too, have increased their productions. Likewise the figures of Trinidad and Egypt show a considerable advance upon last year.

In Mesopotamia there is much exploration activity; of a regular production there can be no question until the pipeline to the seaboard is ready.

Market Fluctuations.

The market for the various petroleum products has been subject to great fluctuations, with a falling tendency. Moreover, as already pointed out in the last report, there is a lack of system in the manner in which the various producers are supplying the non-producing countries with oil and its products.

Too often it is seen that one company is shipping to a certain country which could be supplied at

less cost by another company more favourably situated geographically; consequently unnecessary expenditure is incurred and the cost raised too high. With a view to overcoming these objections the Export Association has been established in America, which is trying by closer co-operation to arrive at a better distribution of the markets, which is primarily in the interests of the consumers.

Group's Output.

According to the latest data the production of the company's group amounted to:-

1927. 1928. Metric tons.
Dutch E. Indies 3,448,116 3,971,045
Sarawak 711,756 751,092
Egypt 155,284 268,461
Roumania 593,828 705,554
Mexico 594,753 528,679
Corona 957,528 693,681
Venezuela 4,497,713 7,125,239
Trinidad 63,841 63,187
United States (Shell Petroleum Corporation, formerly, Roxana Petroleum Corporation) 2,691,312 3,800,767
United States (Shell Oil Co., formerly Shell Co. of California) 3,203,719 3,912,233
Argentina 17,701 50,773
13,998,551 22,063,411

The extensive development of many of the group's activities led to shareholders being given the opportunity at the end of last year to subscribe for shares in the company to a nominal value of £22,420,000—at par, which amount was completely taken up by them.

Oil is such a valuable product, continues the report, and the technical development of economic life has come to be so reliant upon the use of oil products that expectations in respect to the oil industry in general cannot but be optimistic. As to the company, the directors are convinced that, independent of the result of the negotiations for both in respect to production and as to distribution, it has a bright future before it.

CHINA'S COTTON PROSPECTS.

JAPANESE BUYERS INTERESTED.

EFFECT OF HOME DEPRESSION.

Japanese cotton mill operators are looking toward the ports of China as the location for future extensions of their mills rather than the cities of their own country. The rapidly changing labour conditions and social views at home have turned the attention of the cotton industry's leaders to the possibilities of mills established in China.

This was the impression gained by Mr. C. C. Hedrick of the textile and knitting machinery department of Andersen, Meyer & Co., during a recent visit to Japan. Mr. Hedrick has returned to Shanghai after a six weeks business trip spent both in Japan and North China.

The centres in which such extensions are most likely to be made, he said, are Shanghai, Hankow, Tientsin, and Tientsin. These cities are desirable both because of their proximity to lines of communication and the fact that they are not likely to be seriously affected by any troubles in the interior.

A New Law.

On July 1 this year, Mr. Hedrick pointed out, the new Japanese labour law covering the hours of employment of women in the cotton mills went into effect, marking one of the first steps in the changing times.

Heretofore the Japanese cotton mills were run on a paternalistic system, the girls employed being kept under strict control which extended over their off duty hours as well as those spent in the mill. Now, however, in addition to legislation affecting working conditions, the rapid westernization of Japan has brought with it other opportunities for young women such as clerks, typists, salesgirls, and waitresses, which positions with their increased liberty have made the securing of mill workers steadily more difficult.

There are also indications that labour will demand higher wages, Mr. Hedrick said, difficulties having already arisen in connection with a movement to cut down working hours in proportion to increased pay.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

	July 30.
Paris	99.05
Geneva	97.70
Berlin	20.37
Oslo	18.20
Helsingfors	193
Athens	375
Shanghai	244
Silver (spot)	24 1/2
Silver (forward)	24 1/2
New York	4.85 15/32
Amsterdam	12.104
Stockholm	18.10
Vienna	34.425
Madrid	33.25
Budapest	81 1/2
Hong Kong	1/11 1/2
Brussels	34.90
Milan	99.825
Copenhagen	18.21
Prague	164
Lisbon	108.20
Bombay	1/5 25/32
Yokohama	1/10 15/16

DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.				SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.				
Buyers	Sellers	Bid	Offer	WEDNESDAY, JULY 31.	Buyers	Sellers	Bid	Offer
Banks								
£192	...	\$1,285	...	H.K. Banks	...	\$1,285	...	£192
...	...	...	...	Chartered Banks	...	...	...	£192
...	...	...	...	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	...	...	£192
...	...	...	...	Do "C"	...	...	...	£192
...	...	...	...	P. & O. Banks	...	...	...	£192
...	...	...	...	Bank of East Asia	...	...	...	£192
Insurance								
...	...	...	...	Canton Ins.	...	...	...	£192
T160	...	...	...	Underwriters	...	...	...	T160
...	...	...	...	North China	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Union Ins.	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Yongtze Ins.	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	China Fire	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Fire	...	...	...	...
Shipping								
...	...	...	...	Douglases	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Steamboats	...	...	...	...
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...	...	...	...	Water-boats	...	...	...	...
Mining								
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NEW REGIONAL PLAN.

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New York, July 18.—Larger than London, Paris and Berlin, a city with a population of over 20,000,000, is the forecast for New York City by 1965. Engineers and architects have spent the last seven years in preparing a "Regional Plan" directed toward this date, when facilities now being designed will accommodate the expected increase in population.

The object of this comprehensive plan is to give guidance to the builders of the region; to enable them to direct urban growth so that in the future the greatest measure of health, general welfare, safety and convenience will be secured for the inhabitants of the city which in 1965 is expected to be the largest in the world.

Preventative Measures.

Under this plan the obtaining of a well co-ordinated system of ways and communication, a well-balanced distribution of land uses and a natural preservation of the beauty of natural environment is featured. The makers of the development programme, under the chairmanship of Frederick A. Delano, maintain that preventative measures must be used if New York City can hope to handle her great population and increased commerce which is predicted for 1965.

According to the recently published plan, no regional scheme can be complete which does not contain practical proposals which will arrest the growth of evils of today. Misplanning of vacant land is declared to be the primary cause for the evils of the present traffic congestion, and it is urged in the plan that indiscriminate building be prevented. Foreseeing great strides taking place in commercial aviation, sixteen new airports are designed for the city, including one at Governor's Island, which with the twenty-six now existing, will be connected by a motor speedway and shuttle-plane service.

Great care has been taken in the plan to maintain a proper balance between the following major points—growth of population, street circulation, uses of land and building in general.

Great Belt Highway.

Under the widespread development programme a great system of public parks is recommended, with Welfare Island, Randall's Island and Ward's Island suggested as suitable locations near Manhattan. A great belt highway has been mapped out which will be linked by radial highways. It is proposed to eliminate much traffic congestion by preventing traffic not Manhattan bound from passing through that crowded area. New bridges for the Harlem, Hudson and East Rivers constitute a high spot in the programme.

Looking forward to 1965 when the total in- and out-bound freight tonnage is expected to exceed one hundred million tons annually, the regional planners have formulated a scheme which includes a trunk line which will unify all lines and make a circle around the city. Inside this large circle three smaller belt lines will operate, making a web of interconnecting railroad lines throughout the area. A series of links will provide water connections, freight stations and other necessary adjuncts of the system calculated to handle the freight with more ease than does the present system.

The formulators of the Regional Plan declare that if these plans are followed, with the speeding up of traffic, locating of business provision for health, and with the present population may live in this area more comfortably than do the present inhabitants.—United Press.

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Captain R. F. Stephens, of the Kueichow, has gone master, Kalgan.
Captain A. F. Summerfield, of the Kueichow, is on reserve.
Captain R. Allinson, from reserve, has gone acting master, Kueichow.
Mr. F. Kelly, from reserve, has gone second officer, Ningpo.
Mr. N. McMillan, second officer, Ningpo, has gone second officer, Yingshow.
Mr. E. Hardman, second officer, Yingshow, is on reserve.
Mr. T. Goffin, chief officer, Tean, has gone chief officer, Fatsan.
Mr. S. Aherne, chief officer, Fatsan, has gone chief officer, Tean.
Mr. G. Boulton, chief engineer officer, Linan, is on reserve.
Mr. I. Callender, from reserve, has gone chief engineer officer, Linan.
Mr. J. Watson, from reserve, has gone third engineer officer, Nanning.
Mr. J. J. Thompson, third engineer officer, Chenan, has gone third engineer officer, Yunnan.
Mr. G. E. Kerr, third engineer officer, Shengking, has gone third engineer officer, Chenan.
Mr. A. Duncan, second engineer officer, Hanyang, has gone second engineer officer, Sunning.
Mr. H. S. Luscombe, from reserve, has gone second engineer officer, Hanyang.
Mr. R. A. Bell-Syer, chief officer, Fausang, has gone chief officer, Foushing.
Mr. T. Hughes, chief officer, Foushing, has gone chief officer, Fausang.
Mr. V. Petherick, chief officer, Cheongshing, has gone chief officer, Hanyang.
Mr. F. Webster, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Cheongshing.
Mr. A. Pettendrih, second officer, Kumsang, is on reserve.
Mr. G. Y. L. Hunter, second officer, Hupgang, has gone second officer, Kumsang.
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Chicago is reorganising its police system, and strenuous efforts are to be made to clear the city of its murderers and thieves. It has been described as the worst city in the world, and all previous efforts to clean it up have failed.
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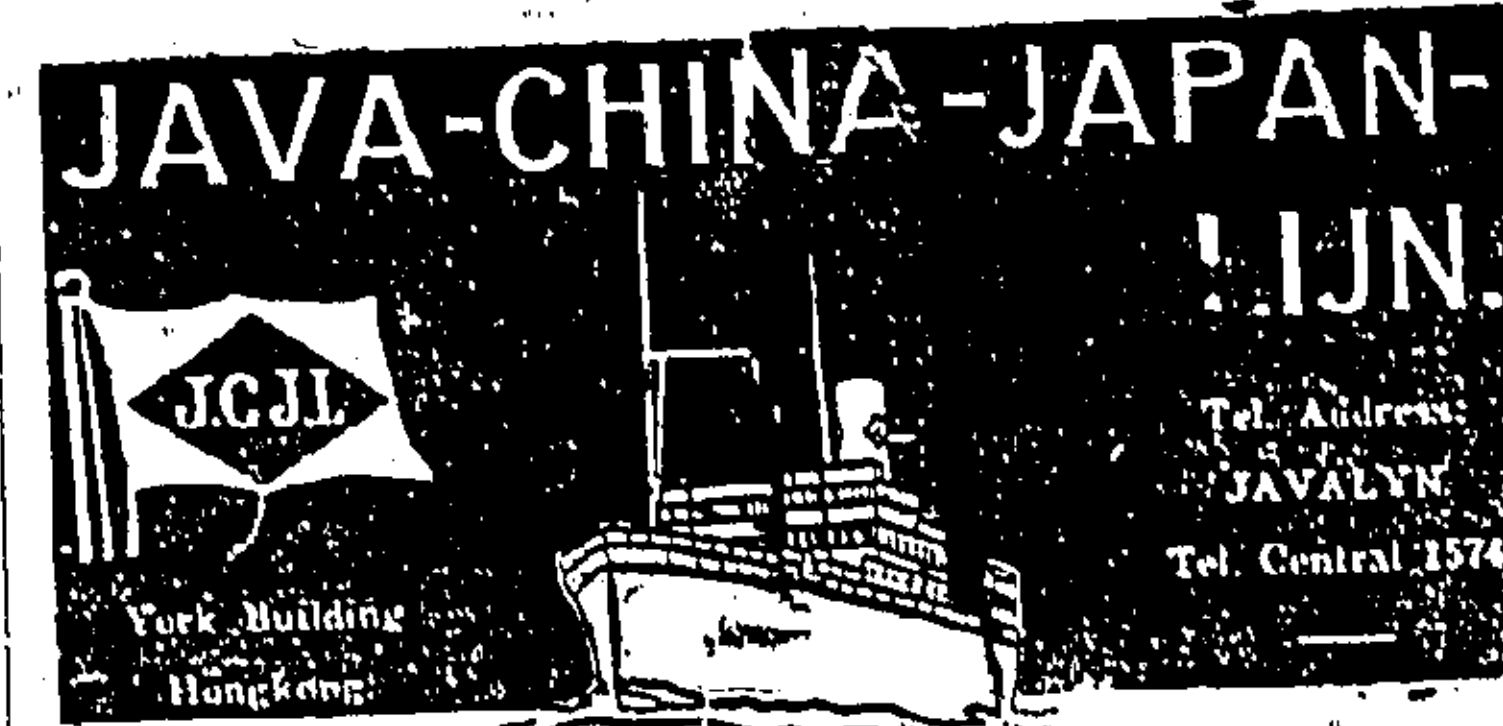
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TJIKEMBANG	BATAVIA	14th Aug.	15th Aug.	AMOY & SHAI
TJISALAK	JAVA, MAKASSAR	21st Aug.	22nd Aug.	AMOY & SHAI
TJIKARANG	BATAVIA	24th Aug.	25th Aug.	AMOY & SHAI
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Malacca Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 16.
Yuenyang, Jardine's, Aug. 19.
Taima, B.I., Aug. 27.

CEBU.

Texas, S.S.S., Aug. 2.
Pennsylvania, S.S.S., Aug. 17.
Golden Star, S.S.S., Aug. 18.

CHEFOO.

Kueichow, B. & S., Aug. 6.
Huichow, B. & S., Aug. 16.

COLOMBO.

Himalaya, Dodwell's, Aug. 3.
Khyber, P. & O., Aug. 3.
Glenogle, Jardine's, Aug. 7.
Patroclus, B.F., Aug. 7.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 10.
Havelland, Jelsen, Aug. 10.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Aug. 11.
Tamba Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 11.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Aug. 13.
Kidderpore, P. & O., Aug. 15.
Isar, Melchers, Aug. 16.
Malwa, P. & O., Aug. 17.
Saarbruecken, Melchers, Aug. 23.
Leverkusen, Jelsen, Aug. 24.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Aug. 25.
Athos II, M.M., Aug. 27.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 28.
Kashmir, P. & O., Aug. 31.

COPENHAGEN.

Nagara, Gilman's, Aug. 11.
Java, Manners, Sept. 1.

DALNY.

Linn, B. & S., Aug. 1.
Chenai, B. & S., Aug. 7.
Alster, Melchers, Aug. 10.
Coblentz, Melchers, Aug. 23.

DUTCH PORTS.

Glenogle, Jardine's, Aug. 7.
Patroclus, B.F., Aug. 7.
City of Athens, Bank, Aug. 9.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 10.
Havelland, Jelsen, Aug. 10.
Nagara, Gilman's, Aug. 15.
Isar, Melchers, Aug. 16.
Achilles, B.F., Aug. 20.
Saarbruecken, Melchers, Aug. 23.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 24.
Leverkusen, Jelsen, Aug. 24.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Java, Manners, Sept. 1.

FOOCHOW.

Haiyang, Douglas, Aug. 2.
Haiching, Douglas, Aug. 6.
Haining, Douglas, Aug. 9.

GENOA.

Havelland, Jelsen, Aug. 10.
Delagoa Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 11.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Aug. 11.
Agapenor, B.F., Aug. 20.
Leverkusen, Jelsen, Aug. 24.
Saarbruecken, Melchers, Aug. 24.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Aug. 25.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.

GLASGOW.

Patroclus, B.F., Aug. 7.
City of Athens, Bank, Aug. 9.
Agapenor, B.F., Aug. 20.

GOTHENBURG.

Nagara, Gilman's, Aug. 15.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Canton, M.M., Aug. 3.
Teian, B. & S., Aug. 9.
Tonkin, M.M., Aug. 13.

HAMBURG.

Glenogle, Jardine's, Aug. 7.
City of Athens, Bank, Aug. 9.
Havelland, Jelsen, Aug. 10.
Nagara, Gilman's, Aug. 15.
Isar, Melchers, Aug. 16.
Achilles, B.F., Aug. 20.
Saarbruecken, Melchers, Aug. 23.
Leverkusen, Jelsen, Aug. 24.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Java, Manners, Sept. 1.

HAYRE.

Danmark, Manners, Aug. 1.
Agapenor, B.F., Aug. 20.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Java, Manners, Sept. 1.

HONOLULU.

Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 7.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 21.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 21.

ILOILO.

Ninghai, B. & S., Aug. 1.
Texas, S.S.S., Aug. 2.
Pennsylvania, S.S.S., Aug. 17.
Golden Star, S.S.S., Aug. 18.

JAPAN PORTS.

Glenogary, Jardine's, Aug. 1.
Ixon, B.F., Aug. 1.
Merton, B.F., Aug. 1.
Yuenyang, Jardine's, Aug. 1.
Kashmir, P. & O., Aug. 2.
Taima, B.I., Aug. 3.
Eriolka Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 5.
Ermland, Jelsen, Aug. 6.
Kishino Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 6.
Piave, Dodwell's, Aug. 6.
Pres. Grant, Dollar, Aug. 6.
Tanada, B. & O., Aug. 6.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 7.
Nowshera, P. & O., Aug. 8.
Eurylochus, B.F., Aug. 9.
Asper, Melchers, Aug. 10.
Dalagoa, B.I., Aug. 10.
Iac Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 12.
Sheafmount, P. & O., Aug. 12.
D'Artagnan, M.M., Aug. 13.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Aug. 13.
Remo, Dodwell's, Aug. 13.
Burgeland, Jelsen, Aug. 16.
Menelaus, B.F., Aug. 15.
Clenapp, Jardine's, Aug. 16.
Morea, P. & S., Aug. 16.
Suisang, Jardine's, Aug. 16.
Friesland, Jelsen, Aug. 17.
Matsuyama Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 17.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 19.
Garbata, B.I., Aug. 20.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, Aug. 20.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Aug. 21.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 21.
Kumsang, Jardine's, Aug. 23.
Tyndarus, B.F., Aug. 24.
Pres. Madison, A.M.L., Aug. 27.
Sphinx, M.M., Aug. 27.
Glenshiel, Jardine's, Aug. 30.

JAVA PORTS.

Tijlboet, J.C.J.L., Aug. 7.
Tijlboet, J.C.J.L., Aug. 13.
Tijlboet, J.C.J.L., Aug. 13.
Tijlboet, J.C.J.L., Aug. 23.

LIVERPOOL.

Delagoa Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 11.
Agapenor, B.F., Aug. 20.

LONDON.

Khyber, P. & O., Aug. 3.
Glenogle, Jardine's, Aug. 7.
Patroclus, B.F., Aug. 7.
City of Athens, Bank, Aug. 9.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 10.
Malwa, P. & O., Aug. 17.
Achilles, B.F., Aug. 20.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 24.
Kashmir, P. & O., Aug. 31.

LOS ANGELES.

Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Aug. 13.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 13.
Pres. Madison, A.M.L., Aug. 27.

MANILA.

Chinese Prince, Furness, Aug. 1.
Arafura, E. & A., Aug. 2.
Texas, S.S.S., Aug. 2.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Aug. 3.
Havelland, Jelsen, Aug. 10.
Linn, B. & S., Aug. 11.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, Aug. 13.
Tijlboet, J.C.J.L., Aug. 13.
Isar due from Europe Aug. 16.
Pennsylvania, S.S.S., Aug. 17.
Golden Star, S.S.S., Aug. 18.
Changste, B. & S., Aug. 20.
Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 21.
Saarbruecken, Melchers, Aug. 23.
Leverkusen, Jelsen, Aug. 24.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Aug. 25.
Tijlboet, J.C.J.L., Aug. 27.
Malayan Prince, Furness, Aug. 29.

MARSEILLES.

Khyber, P. & O., Aug. 3.
Patroclus, B.F., Aug. 7.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 10.
Havelland, Jelsen, Aug. 10.
Delagoa Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 11.
Nagara, Gilman's, Aug. 11.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Aug. 11.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Aug. 13.
Isar, Melchers, Aug. 16.
Malwa, P. & O., Aug. 17.
Achilles, B.F., Aug. 20.
Saarbruecken, Melchers, Aug. 23.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 24.
Athos II, M.M., Aug. 27.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Kashmir, P. & O., Aug. 31.

NAPLES.

Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Aug. 11.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Aug. 23.

NEWCHWANG.

Linn, B. & S., Aug. 1.
Chenai, B. & S., Aug. 7.

NEW YORK, BOSTON, etc.

Kuma Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 3.
Springbank, Bank, Aug. 3.
Adrasus, B.F., Aug. 4.
Raby Castle, Dodwell's, Aug. 6.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Aug. 11.
Calcutta Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 17.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Aug. 23.
Malayan Prince, Furness, Aug. 29.

NORTH CHINA.

Ermland, Jelsen, Aug. 6.
Alster, Melchers, Aug. 10.
Burgeland, Jelsen, Aug. 16.
Asia, Manners, Aug. 17.
Friesland, Jelsen, Aug. 17.
Coblentz, Melchers, Aug. 23.
Chile, Manners, Sept. 1.

ORAN.

Isar, Melchers, Aug. 16.
Saarbruecken, Melchers, Aug. 23.
Leverkusen, Jelsen, Aug. 24.

OSLO.

Danmark, Manners, July 31.

PANAMA.

Kuma Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 3.
Calcutta Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 17.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 19.

PENANG.

Cremar, J.C.J.L., Aug. 1.
Khyber, P. & O., Aug. 3.
Taima, B.I., Aug. 4.
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., July Aug. 9.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 10.
Namsang, Jardine's, Aug. 11.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Aug. 11.
Takliwa, B.I., Aug. 11.
Tamba Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 11.
Kidderpore, P. & O., Aug. 13.
Malacca Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 16.
Malwa, P. & O., Aug. 17.
Yuenyang, Jardine's, Aug. 19.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Aug. 23.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Taima, B.I., Aug. 27.
Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 28.
Kashmir, P. & O., Aug. 31.

PORTLAND.

Michigan, S.S.S., Aug. 3.
New York, S.S.S., Aug. 14.

RANGOON.

Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., July Aug. 3.
Takliwa, B.I., Aug. 11.
Malacca Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 16.

SAIGON.

Chenonceaux, M.M., Aug. 13.
Athos II, M.M., Aug. 27.

SANDAKAN.

Arafura, E. & A., Aug. 2.
Mausang, Jardine's, Aug. 3.
Hinsang, Jardine's, Aug. 14.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Michigan, S.S.S., Aug. 3.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 7.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Aug. 13.
New York, S.S.S., Aug. 14.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 21.
Pres. Madison, A.M.L., Aug. 27.

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS.

Nagara, Gilman's, Aug. 15.
Java, Manners, Sept. 1.

SEATTLE.

Ixon, B.F., August 1.
Pres. Grant, Dollar, Aug. 6.
Igo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 12.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, Aug. 20.
Tyndarus, B.F., Aug. 24.

SHANGHAI.

Ixon, B.F., August 1.
Glenogary, Jardine's, Aug. 1.
Linn, B. & S., Aug. 1.
Yingchow, B. & S., Aug. 1.
Kashmir, P. & O., Aug. 1.
City of Pekin, Bank, Aug. 3.
Meriones, B.F., Aug. 3.
Gurnea, B.I., Aug. 4.
Hopsang, Jardine's, Aug. 4.
Szechuen, B. & S., Aug. 4.
Tijsondori, J.C.J.L., Aug. 4.
Kanchow, B. & S., Aug. 5.
Morioka Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 5.
Ermland, Jelsen, Aug. 6.
Kishino Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 6.
Piave, Dodwell's, Aug. 6.
Pres. Grant, Dollar, Aug. 6.

SHANGHAI—(Continued).

Chenai, B. & S., Aug. 7.
Hingsang, Jardine's, Aug. 7.
Sinkiang, B. & S., Aug. 7.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 7.
Eurylochus, B.F., Aug. 9.
Tijlboet, J.C.J.L., Aug. 9.
Alster, Melchers, Aug. 10.
Yashing, Jardine's, Aug. 11.
Igo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 12.
Sheafmount, P. & O., Aug. 12.
D'Artagnan, M.M., Aug. 13.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Aug. 13.
Chaksang, Jardine's, Aug. 14.
Menelaus, B.F., Aug. 15.
Remo, Dodwell's, Aug. 15.
Tijlboet, J.C.J.L., Aug. 15.
Burgeland, Jelsen, Aug. 16.
Glenapp, Jardine's, Aug. 18.
Morea, P. & S., Aug. 18.
Asia, Manners, Aug. 17.
Friesland, Jelsen, Aug. 17.
Matsuyama Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 17.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, Aug. 20.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Aug. 21.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 21.
Tijlboet, J.C.J.L., Aug. 21.
Tijlboet, J.C.J.L., Aug. 23.
Pres. Madison, A.M.L., Aug. 27.
Sphinx, M.M., Aug. 27.
Coblentz, Melchers, Aug. 23.
Glenshiel, Jardine's, Aug. 30.
Chile, Manners, Sept. 1.

SINGAPORE.

Cremar, J.C.J.L., Aug. 1.
Himalaya, Dwell's, Aug. 3.
Khyber, P. & O., Aug. 3.
Anhui, B. & S., Aug. 4.
Taima, B.I., Aug. 4.
Patroclus, B.F., Aug. 7.
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., July Aug. 8.
Nagara, Gilman's, Aug. 8.
Bingo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 9.
City of Athens, Bank, Aug. 9.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 10.
Havelland, Jelsen, Aug. 10.
Anking, B. & S., Aug. 11.
Kwangchow, B. & S., Aug. 11.
Namsang, Jardine's, Aug. 11.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Aug. 11.
Takliwa, B.I., Aug. 11.
Tamba Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 11.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Aug. 13.
Isar, Melchers, Aug. 14.
Kidderpore, P. & O., Aug. 15.
Malacca Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 16.
Malwa, P. & O., Aug. 17.
Yuenyang, Jardine's, Aug. 19.
Leverkusen, Jelsen, Aug. 24.
Saarbruecken, Melchers, Aug. 24.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Aug. 25.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Taima, B.I., Aug. 27.
Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 28.
Kashmir, P. & O., Aug. 31.
Java, Manners, Sept. 1.

SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

Bingo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 9.
Tinhov, Bank, Aug. 12.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

Ringo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 9.

SWATOW.

Haiyang, Douglas, Aug. 2.
Anhui, B. & S., Aug. 4.
Hopsang, Jardine's, Aug. 4.
Kaying, B. & S., Aug. 4.
Szechuen, B. & S., Aug. 4.
Haiching, Douglas, Aug. 6.
Hingsang, Jardine's, Aug. 7.
Sinkiang, B. & S., Aug. 7.
Haining, Douglas, Aug. 9.
Anking, B. & S., Aug. 11.
Kwangchow, B. & S., Aug. 11.
Yashing, Jardine's, Aug. 11.
Chaksang, Jardine's, Aug. 14.

TIENTSIN.

Saarbruecken, Melchers, July 31.
Ermland, Jelsen, Aug. 6.
Kueichow, B. & S., Aug. 8.
Cheongshing, B. & S., Aug. 8.
Alster, Melchers, Aug. 10.
Huichow, B. & S., Aug. 16.
Asia, Manners, Aug. 17.
Chipping, Jardine's, Aug. 23.
Coblentz, Melchers, Aug. 23.
Chile, Manners, Sept. 1.

TRIESTE AND VENICE.

Himalaya, Dodwell's, Aug. 2.
Viminale, Dodwell's, Aug. 20.

TSINGTAO.

City of Pekin, Bank, Aug. 3.
Hopsang, Jardine's, Aug. 4.
Szechuen, B. & S., Aug. 4.
Ermland, Jelsen, Aug. 6.
Hingsang, Jardine's, Aug. 7.
Sinkiang, B. & S., Aug. 7.
Alster, Melchers, Aug. 10.
Yashing, Jardine's, Aug. 11.
Chaksang, Jardine's, Aug. 14.
Asia, Manners, Aug. 17.
Coblentz, Melchers, Aug. 23.
Chile, Manners, Sept. 1.

VANCOUVER, B.C.

Ixon, B.F., August 1.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Aug. 21.
Tyndarus, B.F., Aug. 24.

VICTORIA, B.C.

Ixon, B.F., August 1.
Pres. Grant, Dollar, Aug. 6.
Igo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 12.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, Aug. 20.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Aug. 21.
Tyndarus, B.F., Aug. 24.

VLADIVOSTOGE.

Glenogary, Jardine's, Aug. 1.
Glenapp, Jardine's, Aug. 10.
Glenshiel, Jardine's, Aug. 30.

WEIHAIWEI.

Kueichow, B. & S., Aug. 6.
Patroclus, B.F., Aug. 7.
Huichow, B. & S., Aug. 16.

EXPECTED ARRIVALS AND MOVEMENTS.

Achilles due from Shanghai Aug. 20.

Adrasus due from Shanghai Aug. 13.
Agapenor due from Shanghai Aug. 20.

Agra left for Shanghai July 27.

Akita Maru left for Japan July 19.
Alaska Maru due from Singapore Aug. 10.

Alipore due from Europe Sept. 10.
Alster due from Europe Aug. 12.

Angers due from Europe Sept. 10.
Augsburg due from Shanghai Aug. 27.

Antenor due from Japan Sept. 4.
Aralura arrived from Japan July 31.

Asia due from Europe Aug. 14.
Asphalion due from Europe Sept. 12.

Athos II, due from Shanghai Aug. 27.
Bengal Maru due from Japan Aug. 7.

Benedi due from Singapore Aug. 1.
Bingo Maru due from Japan Aug. 9.

Bokuyo Maru arrived from Japan July 30.
Bremerhaven arrived from Rabaul July 16.

Burgeland due from Europe Aug. 16.
Calchas due from Europe Sept. 19.

Calcutta Maru due from Singapore Aug. 7.
Canada Maru due from Japan Aug. 5.

Canton left for Europe July 9.
Changste due from Australia Aug. 13.

Chenonceaux due from Shanghai Aug. 13.
Chile due from Europe Sept. 1.

City of Bedford due from Shanghai Aug. 13.
City of Khartoum due from Europe Aug. 30.

City of Kobe due from Europe Aug. 21.
City of Melbourne due from Europe Aug. 21.

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ILIOLO "NINGHAI" ...	On 1st Aug.	8 p.m.
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SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN "SZECHUEN" ...	On 4th Aug.	10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK "KATING" ...	On 4th Aug.	Noon
SHANGHAI "KANOHOW" ...	On 4th Aug.	5 p.m.
SWATOW, WHEIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN "KUEICHOW" ...	On 6th Aug.	2 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN "SINKIANG" ...	On 7th Aug.	10 a.m.
AMOI, S'HAL, N'CHOW & DALNY "CHENAN" ...	On 7th Aug.	5 p.m.
HOUSOW, PAKHOI & HAITONG "TEAN" ...	On 9th Aug.	11 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE "ANKING" ...	On 11th Aug.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK "KWANGCHOW" ...	On 11th Aug.	Noon
WHEIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN "HUICHOW" ...	On 16th Aug.	11 a.m.

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D'ARTAGNAN ... 10th Sept.	ANGERS ... 10th Sept.
SPRING ... 24th Sept.	G. METZINGER ... 24th Sept.
ANGERS ... 8th Oct.	ANDRE LEBON ... 8th Oct.
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		Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer	Humidity	Wind	Weather	Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer	Humidity	Wind	Weather
Wladivostok	12	29.74	75.5	77	SE	3	29.82	75.4	75	SSW	0
Nemuro	11	29.80	75.7	0	0	0	29.78	75.6	0	0	0
Hokodate	11	29.84	75.8	0	0	0	29.82	75.7	0	0	0
Tobio	11	29.92	76.0	0	0	0	29.94	76.0	0	0	0
Kochi	11	29.96	76.0	0	0	0	29.98	76.1	0	0	0
Nagasaki	11	29.98	76.1	0	0	0	29.98	76.1	0	0	0
Kagoshima	11	29.94	76.0	0	0	0	29.96	76.0	0	0	0
Oshima	11	29.92	76.0	0	0	0	29.92	76.0	0	0	0
Naha	11	29.90	75.9	0	0	0	29.90	75.9	0	0	0
Ishigakijima	11	29.88	75.8	0	0	0	29.86	75.8	0	0	0
Bonin Island	11	29.94	76.0	0	0	0	29.94	76.0	0	0	0
Chefoo	15	29.74	75.4	96	SW	2	29.83	75.7	78	SW	1
Shanghai	14	29.81	75.2	93	SSE	4	29.86	75.0	77	SE	2
Gutzlaff	14	29.90	75.5	84	SW	6	29.96	75.1	78	SSE	2
Sharp Peak	14	29.78	75.4	80	S	2	29.84	75.7	77	E	4
Amoy	14	29.71	75.4	78	S	4	29.79	75.6	76	SE	4
Swatow	11	29.84	75.7	82	W	2	29.84	75.7	75	SW	0
Taihook	11	29.88	75.9	75	0	0	29.85	75.8	73	SW	0
Taichu	11	29.85	75.8	77	SE	2	29.81	75.7	73	NNE	0
Tainan	11	29.84	75.7	84	S	2	29.81	75.7	79	ESE	0
Keshun	11	29.81	75.7	79	S	4	29.81	75.7	79	ESE	0
Pescadore	11	29.81	75.7	79	S	4	29.81	75.7	79	ESE	0
Hong Kong	14	29.66	75.3	83	SE	3	29.70	75.4	81	S	4
Gap Rock	14	29.66	75.3	83	SSW	4	29.70	75.4	81	S	4
Macao	14	29.62	75.2	86	SW	2	29.65	75.3	79	SSW	4
Holhow	15	29.78	75.5	83	SW	4	29.75	75.6	80	SSW	4
Pratas Island	15	29.38	74.6	79	SSE	8	29.57	75.1	79	SE	6
Phu Lien	15	29.38	74.6	79	SSE	8	29.57	75.1	79	SE	6
Tourane	15	29.38	74.6	79	SSE	8	29.57	75.1	79	SE	6
Cape St. James	15	29.38	74.6	79	SSE	8	29.57	75.1	79	SE	6
Beao	14	29.79	75.6	86	SW	2	29.80	75.7	77	SW	2
Aparr	14	29.75	75.7	86	SW	2	29.80	75.7	77	SW	2
Tuguegarao	14	29.75	75.7	86	SW	2	29.80	75.7	77	SW	2
Vigan	14	29.75	75.7	86	SW	2	29.80	75.7	77	SW	2
Manila	14	29.75	75.7	86	SW	2	29.80	75.7	77	SW	2
Legaspi	14	29.75	75.7	86	SW	2	29.80	75.7	77	SW	2
Calbayog	14	29.75	75.7	86	SW	2	29.80	75.7	77	SW	2
Tacloban	14	29.75	75.7	86	SW	2	29.80	75.7	77	SW	2
Boho	14	29.75	75.7	86	SW	2	29.80	75.7	77	SW	2
Cebu	14	29.75	75.7	86	SW	2	29.80	75.7	77	SW	2
Surigao	14	29.75	75.7	86	SW	2	29.80	75.7	77	SW	2
Saipan	14	29.75	75.7	86	SW	2	29.80	75.7	77	SW	2
Guam	12.22	29.84	75.7	86	SE	1	29.85	75.8	78	SW	1
Yap	11.00	29.80	75.6	86	SE	1	29.85	75.8	78	SW	1
Pelew	11.00	29.80	75.6	86	SE	1	29.85	75.8	78	SW	1
Ponape	11.00	29.80	75.6	86	SE	1	29.85	75.8	78	SW	1
Labuan	14	29.80	75.6	86	SW	2	29.84	75.7	76	SW	2

July 31st, 10h. 40m.—An weak anticyclonic area covers S. Japan and extends to the Bonins; pressure is relatively low to the east of Luzon. A depression lies over Tongking.
Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.4 inch. Total since January 1, 36.56 inches, against an average of 51.56 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON AUGUST 1.

- 1.—Formosa Channel ... S. winds, moderate; cloudy, occasional rain.
2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamock ... S. winds, moderate; cloudy, occasional rain.
3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock ... S. winds, moderate; cloudy, occasional rain.
4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan ... S. winds, moderate; cloudy, occasional rain.

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HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, July 31.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.65	29.73	29.71
Temperature	82	83	78
Humidity	82	78	88
Wind	Direction SSW	SW	Calm
Force	3	0	0
Weather	0	0	OD
Rain	0.28	0.00	0.07
Highest open-air Temperature	30.84		
Lowest open-air Temperature	21.81		

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

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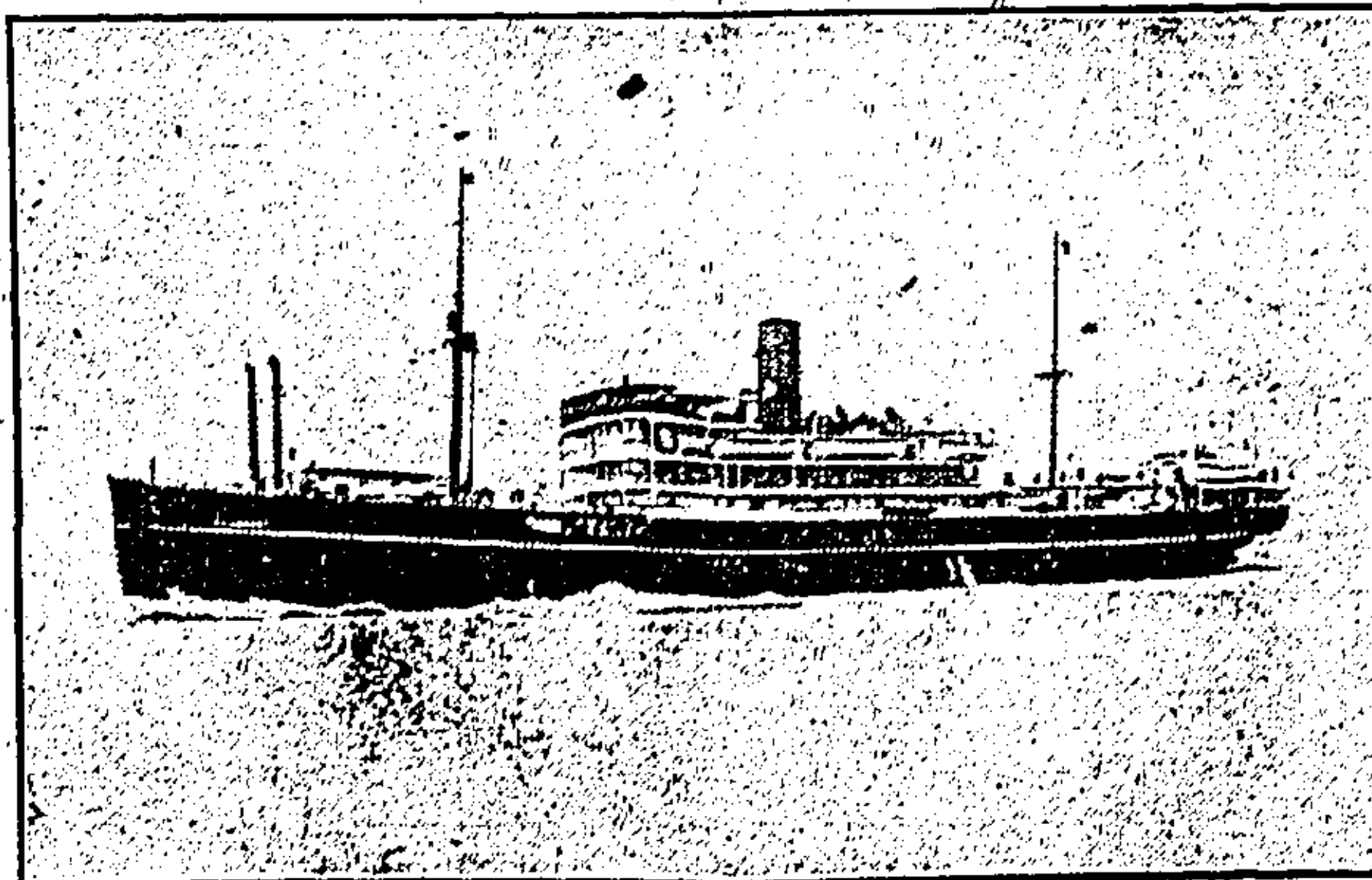
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Days of Week	Date of Month	High Water		Low Water	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Thur.	1	5:57	6.4	11:28	1.5
Fri.	2	6:14	7.0	11:26	1.4
Sat.	3	6:46	8.9	11:26	0.9
Sun.	4	7:10	7.5	11:25	0.4
Mon.	5	8:44	4.0	11:25	0.4
Tues.	6	10:30	4.1	11:25	0.1
Wed.	7	11:39	4.3	11:25	0.2

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OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"SUISANG" ... "KUMSANG" ... "HOSANG" ... "KUTSANG" ...	Fri., 16th Aug., at 7 a.m. Fri., 23rd Aug., at 7 a.m. Sat., 31st Aug., at 7 a.m. Wed., 4th Sept., at 7 a.m.
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SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG" ... "HINSANG" ...	Satur., 3rd Aug., at 3 p.m. Wed., 14th Aug., at 3 p.m.
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